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Faulty vision
Why this architect despairs
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Rail sell-off brings fateful platform of joy and despair

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It could have been him ... fate hovered briefly over Brian Clementson and then, cruelly, moved on. Mr Clementson is the man who missed out on millions - £10.7m to be precise by quitting his job as engineering director of Porterbrook Leasing just before it was bought out from British Rail by the management.

fortune, Mr Clementson was counting what might have been "I couldn't possibly comment. his if he had stayed for a few months longer at the trainleasing company.

All 50 staff, from the board members to the humblest office elerk, are sharing in a £90m lot-tery-style windfall, following the takeover of the company by the bus and rail group Stagecoach.

Considering that he has missed out on a fortune, Mr

hut how would you feel," he said. Close colleagues were more forthcoming. It's a sad, bad, feature of railway privatisation that people can make that

sort of money," one said. "Brian was never against privatisation, but he thought the business was too big to be sold that quickly.

Sandy Anderson, who joined Yesterday, as his former col-leagues counted their good run BR's rail test division in director just before the huy-out,

the finance director, was a more modest £16.74m better off.

Tim Gilbert, who got Mr Clementson's joh and his share of the spoils, was looking at a profit of £10, 699,971.12p on his 62.000 shares Fate also had a hand in that,

as Mr Gilbert was third choice for the post. Mr Clementson was to have been replaced by Andrew Highton, an executive

didn't think so, and he was right. from the engineering group Yesterday his shareholding was Babcock. But he died in a light-worth £36.25m while Ray Cork, plane crash the day before he plane crash the day before he was due to start.

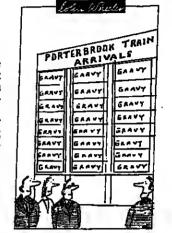
As details emerged of the gigantic share bonanza, Labour branded it "the biggest privatisation scandal of them all" and renewed the onslaught against "fat cats".

But, for once, the slimmer felines are sharing the cream as well. The pay-out for the 44 staff who were not on the board works out at £390,000 a head.

Yesterday as they slipped out of Porterbrook's offices in Derby for lunehtime sandwiehes, the reluctant millionaires proved a shy lot. Not one would talk about their fahulous new wealth, as they had been

told not to speak to the press. The rub is that they have the taxpayer to thank for their unexpected riches. The Government sold Porterbrook for £527m, but Stagecoach has paid £825m. It thinks Porterbrook is revenues are guaranteed for the next 10 years by the government subsidies that the private train operators get to pay Porterbrook's leasing charges.

All is not total desolation for Mr Clementson. He is moving on again to hecome fleet di-rector of InterCity West Coast, one of the final passenger franehises slated for sale. Stagecoach is bidding for that as well. Who knows, next time it could



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End to BSE ban hit by link to calves

Study proves that disease is passed on by cows

and KATHERINE BUTLER,

Cows can pass on BSE to their calves, the Government admitted vesterday, after yielding to requests from scientific advisers to reveal preliminary results from a seven-year study.

The announcement was a "disappointing setback" to hopes of an early end to the European ban on British beef, said the Agriculture Commissioner Franz Fischler in a letter to Douglas Hogg, the agriculture minister. He said that the UK's er, the chance of passing it on plans to eradicate BSE may have to be re-examined, which could substantially delay the re- were in an earlier stage of the sumption of beef exports from disease. The research an aver-

Scienlists said, however, that they did not know how the dis- the question of how the disease case is transmitted from the mother to the calf - raising the possibility that there may be an additional risk to humans from tissues currently considered harmless. "It's a problem to ex-plain it," said one member of without ever suckling their SEAC, the independent advi-sory committee on BSE and its human equivalent. CJD.

SEAC suggested that the news that cow-to-calf, or "vertical", transmission has occurred eould mean that the culling strategy can be more carefully targeted, "Rather than saying that this is 'shock-horror' news, I think that there's something good to it," said Professor John Pattison, head of SEAC. "It means that the feed ban [to prevent BSE-infected material reaching humans or farm animals) has been more ef-

must have come from their mothers." The results came from preliminary examination of a seven-year study of two groups of cattle each containing more than 300 animals. The study was carried out at the Central Veterinary Laboratory, and had not been due to finish until autumo. But SEAC pushed for an interim examination of the animals which had

died so far. This showed that there was up to a 10 per cent chance that a cow with BSE could pass the disease on to her calf. Howevwas much lower for cows which were infected with BSE but age risk of I per cent.

The results have thrown up there is no contact with the most infective tissues, such as the central nervous system. Milk has been ruled out as a medium, as mothers' milk.

Kevin Taylor, the Ministry of Agriculture's assistant chief veterinary officer, said there were 28,402 known cases of BSE in animals born after the feed han. Of these, 1,203 were the offspring of diseased animals. He said "That rate is 4.2%, but that's misleading because many of them will also have been exposed to the risk of [infected]

Mr Hogg said: "We shall need to take stock of the practical implications, in particular for the proposed selective cull fective than we thought, as of cattle, and what basis of se-some of the current BSE cases lection stands to produce the lection stands to produce the



most effective acceleration in the decline of BSE." However, Professor Pattison said that the figures suggest that BSE will die out in the cattle population. "If the infection rate drops below 1, then the epidemie dies out,

Britain's chief veterinary officer Keith Meldrum said after with counterparts from other EU states that the government would he "re-evaluating" the BSE eradication plan hut declined to speculate how. He dismissed suggestions that

the plan was "off the rails" and said there was no new risk.

Mr Meldrum underwent in tense questioning from the EU standing committee on the basis for the elaim that the risk of infection in herds via maternal transmission is only about 1 per

 an interpretation that one SEAC memher described as a "a MAFF gloss" on the wide variation in transmission rates between cows of different ages. European vets agreed to refer the findings to a panel of inde-pendent scientific advisers.

ble that 12 cases of "new variant" CJD

Fact or fiction?

"Fact": BSE poses no risk to human

ealth - something repeatedly said by the Sovemment, But our reat knowledge is hazier, Members of SEAC, the Independent committee of scientists advising the gov-emment on BSE and CJD, think it is possi among Britons in the past two years were caused by exposure to BSE.

"Fact": BSE in cows came from scrapie in sheep, after the process of making cattle feed out of ground-up animals changed in the late 1970s. That's what the ministry says. But some SEAC mem-bers think that BSE didn't "come" from anywhere. It may simply be an endemic disease in cattle - like CJD in humans.

'Fact': BSE is very rarely passed from cow to calf - if at all. Another ministry favourite. But results issued yesterday suggest that cows in the last six months of the five-year incubation period of BSE have a 10 per cent chance of passing it

"Fact": BSE-Induced CJD will reach epidemic proportions, killing thousands of people every year, sometime in the next decade. Thus numerous doomsayers, triumphalist vegetarians and over-excited journalists. Each of the door and "new varienting BSE-infected food and "new varients" and over-excited food and "new varients". ant" CJD has been established, and exper-imental results that might prove a link will not be ready before next year. The removal of beef offal from human food in November 1989 has significantly reduced the risk of passing on the disease, if there is a link. The dozen cases recorded by the CJD Ink. The dozen cases recorded by the link. The dozen cases recorded by the link Unit in Edinburgh do not show the rapid might be expected.

British riot controls used in Indonesia

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Indonesian security forces are using British riot control vehicles and water cannon to suppress riots in the eapital, Jakarta, and are equipped with electric cattle-prod shock batons supplied by a South African company associated with a British firm, the Independent has learned.

The equipment is part of a range of British products for poice and internal security. in-

cluding a powerful police computer system called Generics, supplied by Plessey. Indonesia was the first customer - before British police forces.

The riot control vehicles are Taetica armoured personnel carriers built by Glover Wehh of Hamhle, part of the GKN Defence network.

The Foreign Office last night had no evidence the vehicles and water cannon had been used against "peaceful" demonstrations, but were continuing to monitor the situation

of an export licence for the wa-ter cannon suggesting they may have slipped through in anoth-

er category.

It has emerged that the Indonesian police are also equipped with electric shock batons manufactured by a South African associate of SDMS Security Products of London. A letter obtained by the Independent dated 8 Fehruary 1996 says the batons had heen ordered by police and army units in 30 countries, including Indonesia. In some of those cas-

es SDMS, rather than the South African manufacturers, had supplied the equipment.

Many British businessmen remain hullish about investing

in Indonesia. A spokesman for 1CI said: "This happens every time there is unrest anywhere. You get a lot of questions at first, but people stop asking when it dies down. That's life for a multinational company. The British public may think

differently. Four women were acquitted by a Liverpool jury this week, after causing £1.5m of damage to a Hawk jet fighter destined for Indonesia.

Jakarta was mostly quiet yesterday, after the government or-

dered protesters to be shot on sight. A legal challenge by the opposition leader. Megawati Sukarnoputri, was cancelled hecause a judge had an alleged toothache. There were international protests against the

trade union leader. Reports of British-built Scorpion 90 tanks on the streets have not been confirmed.

arrest of Muchtar Pakpahan, a

The Foreign Office said it had received assurances from the Indonesians - understood to be al ministerial level - that the Scorpion tanks would not be used for internal repression.

Foreign Office sources said Britain would take a "very dim view" of the Indonesians reneg-ing on the understanding. Paul Leavis, director of Safer-

world, an arms control thinktank, said last night: "This shows how ridiculous the UK policy is that we will export security equipment as long as we have assurances that it will not be used for repression. Indonesia shows how impossible that line is to draw. If a counabuses the only answer is a com-

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Key to marital bliss

Scientists are seeking 200 newh-wed couples in order to discover what makes a happy couple and why so many seemingly perfect marriages can quickly fall apart. Page 3 **Home Office defiant**

The Home Office released a detailed document in response to attacks by the gun lobby which questioned its evidence to the Cullen inquiry linking gun

ownership and crime. Page 6 Globe stings critics

Shakespeare's Globe theatre has annoyed critics before it has even opened by asking them to pay to watch its dehut produc-tion. The Gentlemen of Verona. as a contribution towards the as a contribution to find the feet of the

'Day of national shame' as embryos are destroyed

A last-minute attempt to save thousands of frozen embryos failed yesterday as clinics finally began to destroy them.

The pressure group Life.

which carried out a candlelit vigil for the 3,000 "orphan" emhryos on Wednesday night, called on the Official Solicitor, Peter Harris to intervene and stop them heing destroyed. They are being allowed to perish because the couples who created them have not been able to be traced, and under current law, frozen embryos can only be stored for longer than five years if the couple give their consent.

The destruction has outraged "pro-life" groups who called yesterday "a day of national shame". The Vatican termed it a "pre-natal massacre" and called for couples to be allowed to adopt the embryos. Around 130 couples have of-

fered to do so, it is claimed. Life faxed the Official Solicitor asking him to halt the de-struction. The Official Solicitor acts on behalf of children and those unable to defend themselves, and these embryos need protection." said Life's chairman, Professor Jack Scarisbrick. But Mr Harris said he had no

power to intervene in this case

as he could only act when ap-

more, I can only act as the representative on behalf of a natural person - a life in being. Until a child is delivered it does not have an independent legal persona."
At Bourn Hall, where the

world's first test-tube baby was created, staff checked yesterday morning's post and faxes for last-minute requests before starting to thaw out 800 embryos at 8am. At the London Gynaccology and Fertility Centre. around 200 embryos were removed from glass straws at around 8.30am. "It has been very distressing and frustrating for everyone," said the centre's





director, Professor Ian Craft. An embryo being destroyed

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JOHN RENTOUL Political Correspondent

Tony Blair is discussing with his senior colleagues the option of a Labour Government postponing entry into the single European currency. If appounced publicly, the move could catch the Conservatives off balance in the run-up to the election.

Labour's official position is that it is in favour of joining "in principle" - assumed to mean joining in the first wave, if Germany and France unite their currencies in January 1999, the timetable set by the Maastricht

Treaty. Any retreat from that would dismay Labour's strongly pro-European wing, hut would avoid trouble from the large minority of Eurosceptic Labour MPs in the early years of a Labour Government.

The Labour leader is sensitive to the difficulty uf selling the single currency to voters becoming increasingly doubtful about Europe - and of winning a "Yes" vote in a referendum. He is also said to be tempted by the prospect of increasing Tory divisions by adding to pressure on John Major to declare

eign affairs spokesman, surprised some members of the join. party's National Executive on Wednesday by saying that the presentation of policy on the

visited" before the general elec-tion, expected in May next year. Sources close to Mr Cook said he is aware of the difficulties of getting through an elec-tion campaign with "the form-ula we have got now". One said Mr Cook recognised that the single currency decision might seem harder to "fudge" when the Treasury predicts in No-

single currency would be "re-

Britain would be eligible to

Civil servants calculate that the British Government could effectively have to make the decision in the autumn of next year, just months after a general election, in order to get the necessary laws through parliament.

Mr Cook's supporters point to Labour's pre-manifesto, New Life for Britain, launched last month, as evidence of Mr Blair's growing scepticism. In a section written by the Labour leader himself, it says the issue "must be determined by a hard-

practicalities". It describes monetary union as "a major step of integration which in principle could bring benefits in terms of stability and lower interest

It goes on: "For Britain, we would need to be convinced that economic conditions would al-

low it to succeed." Mr Cook set out the disadvantages of joining the single currency at some length at an unreported Westminster book launch last week. Pointing out that Britain had failed to match German productivity growth

Rohin Cook, Labour's for- vemher's Budget whether headed look at its economic over the past 30 years, he said: "Before we give up our currency, we have to be confident that we will never again need to devalue. In other words, we will never again over a long period of time fall behind the performance of Continental indus-

For many in the party, casting doubt on Britain joining the "first wave" is recognising a hard fact, but others, including shadow chancellor Gordon Brown. are worried about sending a Euro-sceptical signal to the markets, businesses and European governments.

SIGNIFICANT SHORTS

was last night demanded by Lord Donaldson, the former Master of the Rolls, following the failure of Ian Botham and Allan Lamb's libel action against Imran Khan and the acquittal at a trial in Liverpool of four women accused of criminal damage after an

attack on a British Aerospace Hawk jet.
He told BBC1's Nine O'Clock News: "If judges knew what trouble juries had ... in coming to a verdict they could perhaps alter the form of their summing up to make it easier for juries to understand the issues but as long as we have no idea on what basis juries reach their conclusions it's difficult to answer any of those questions." Patricia Wynn Davies

Pritain's new Joint Rapid Deployment Force, comprising élite Commandos and paratroops and other quick-reaction forces from the Navy, Marines, Army and Air Force, hecame operational yesterday under the direction of the new Permanent Joint Headquarters at Northwood Middlesex, which was opened on 3 April opened on 3 April.

Defence sources said the "Joint" force would enable Defence sources said the "Joint" force would enable Britain to respond more quickly to crises, either as part of a multinational operation or a purely British operation and was a reflection of the move from a "continental" to an "expeditionary" strategy. Michael Portillo, the Secretary of State for Defence, said: "From today we will be able to respond to crises worldwide more quickly. We shall he able to put together and deploy a joint force ... specially tailored to meet the demands of each crisis. "The first Chief of JRDF Operations is Brigadier Jonathan Thomson. Christopher Bellamy

Three men convicted of en ermed rnbbery on a Securicor guard were each jailed for 14 years at Preston Crown Court yesterday. Peter Roddy, 41, Dion Gray, 21, and Malcolm Bird, 29, all from Blackpool, denied the robbery at the WH Smith

wholesale depot in the resort last October. Almost £10,000 was stolen and nothing was recovered.

The jury was told that police officers discovered that one of the men, Roddy, had scribbled a poem about the robhery on a table top when they went to arrest him. It read: "I would never rob a pauper of that I am sure. The best buzz I have ever had is robbing Securicor". He claimed that the poem was written while he was smoking cannahis and had nothing to do with

n dafiance of e Treesury hen, the Isle of Wight Council has decided to resume the sale of Ecu-style tokens. The council hopes it can persuade the Treasury to drop its legal objections to the tokens, which have heen said to contravene currency legislation. The council says it will resume sales from Saturday, hnt each token will now carry a sticker stressing they are not coinage and cannot he

exchanged for goods.

The council had sold around 4,000 of the crownsized tokens at its various outlets and allowed them to be exchanged for goods. Despite a Treasury han from mid-July, the council said it decided on the new move following legal advice. Managing director of business services. Mike Fisher, said that they hoped to convince the Treasury that the sales were a harmless initiative aimed at promoting Island tourism and raising money for charity.

An angry driver of a black cab made history Ayesterday after being convicted in the first vengeance" trial to come before an English court.

Peter Gay, 38, of Whitechapel, east London, who faces up to five years in jail, last November deliberately ran over a journalist who had given evidence against him in another court hearing, Southwark Crown Court was told. The victim, John Coughlan, targeted just six days after his attacker had failed to overturn a conviction for threatening him. said that the force of the impact caused him to stagger inlo the kerh and wrench his leg. The charge of:
"taking revenge", hrought under Section 51 of the
Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, has never heen tried in England hefore. Gay was remanded in custody until today, when he will he sentenced.

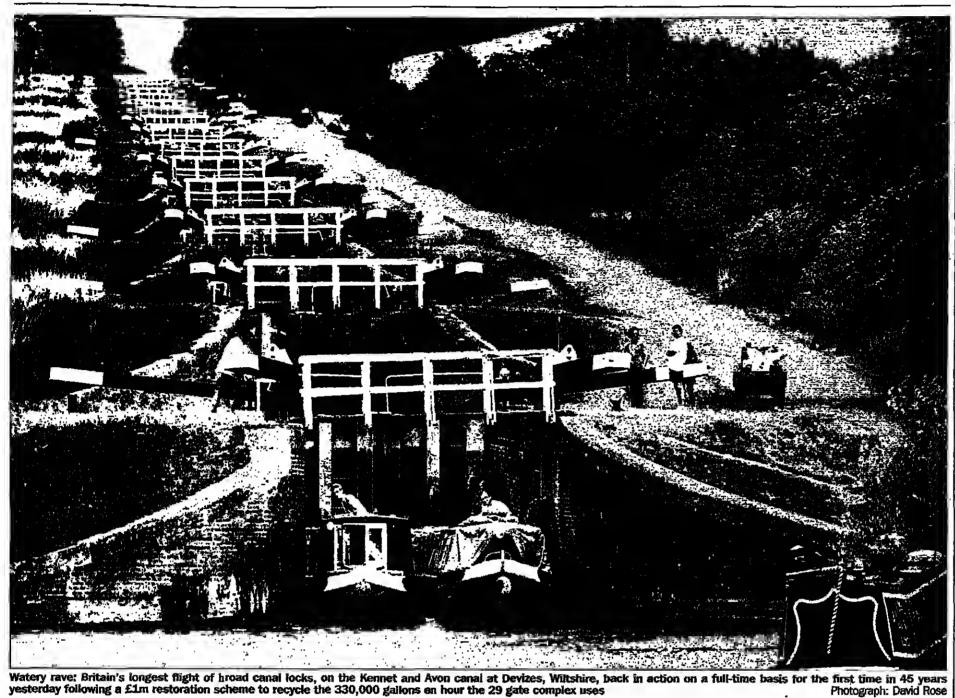
Company chiefs whn fail to pay national insurance contributions for their employees could have their personal assets frozen under new powers announced yesterday by the Secretary of State for Social Security, Peter Lilley.

The measures are aimed at helping to recover money which would otherwise he lost to the Government when husinesses go under. Mr Lilley said he wanted particularly to target the "unscrupulons activities of a few individuals who deliberately run a business into insolvency leaving large dehts behind". The changes aim to provide a quick and effective method of preventing assets from heing removed from the jurisdiction of the court and then satisfying the civil debt in the criminal proceedings.

M otorists rushed to collect P-registration cars yesterday as August sales seemed set to soar towards the half-million mark. Registrations indicating the year of purchase first came in on 1 January 1963, when A plates were introduced, and the start of the new car year was moved to August in 1967. Manufacturers expect this year's total to he the second-highest ever for the month - the record was in 1989 when 500, I12 cars were sold. Last year the figure reached nearly 469,000.

Inlidaymakers chuld be in for a shock if they try to cash enrocheques in France, where they are heing phased. In a report published by Europay International, only four hanks still cash eurocheques in most of their hranches - Banque Nationale de Paris, Banque Regionale d'Escompta et de Depots, Credit Du Nord and Societé Generale, which means some tourists could he stranded penniless in remote areas. The banks say that they have moved with the times hy expanding their cash machine network, hut not all British eurocheque holders have cards to use them. They also say that they have suffered from fraud through enrocheque cash services. Charlie Bain

An English author who was arrested after Aclaiming he was a member of an Special Air Service death squad in Ulster was released without charge yesterday. The Royal Ulster Constabulary described his hook, The Nemesis File, as "a work of fiction".



Redwood joy at **US** welfare cuts

Washington

John Redwood yesterday welcomed controversial American welfare reforms as a model for cutting back long-term social security costs in Britain. In Washington on an Amer-

ican tour as part of his long-running campaign for the leadership of the Conservative Party, Mr Redwood was in "rejnice, rejoice" mood. He was Julsome in his praise

of the US government for having agreed on Wednesday tu pass a Bill that reduces access to welfare benefits for close to 40 million people. Three times at a news conference yesterday morning, he congratulated President Clinton on his decision to sign the Republican

Mr Redwood approved of the emphasis un "self-help" in legislation which "offers people the chance of a jub rather than a welfare chit". He said: "Your welfare Bill has broken new ground here in the US.

"In Britain we are also making important changes. Jefferson warned us all that the coat which fits the boy needs replacing in manhood. So it is with the welfare coat, as we grow to my to oppose.

Pritish Beer legs

Speak to voters in English, Blair told

Bill's American opponents among them seniur members of Tony Blair comes under fire Mr Clinton's Democratic Partoday for confusing the voters estimate that one million by using ever more "elaborate children will be thrown into and obscure" language. New Labour should start speaking coat-less poverty. What the Bill does, among the language of the people, says Joy Johnson, Labour's forother things, is reduce families' eligibility for cash welfare paymer campaigns and media

chief, writes John Rentoul. ments to a maximum of five vears in total and reduce help She was hacked by the Plain with food. Nearly 13 million English Campaign, which has written to all party leaders ask-Americans are on welfare and 25.6 million receive food ing them to "ensure that election material is in plain, understandable English". Mr Redwood backpedalled

greater prosperity.*

Mr Redwood's metaphor was

erhaps ill-judged since the

Her criticism was also backed by Kim Howells, Labour's trade somewhat when asked whether he believed Britain might adopt some of its provisions, notably spokesman, who said: "I somethe one imposing five-year limtimes listen tu some of my colits on access to welfare. "Nu," leagues and they're moulding he said. "I'm not recommendone clicke into another and you ing that in the British situation." don't know where the policy is. Mr Redwood admitted he oc-

tt's so deadly, it's embarrassing."
Ms. Johnson attacks Mr. Blair's "Young Country" and "British Dream" slogans, dethe left of his Republican friends. "On very many issues." he said, "Tony Blair is well to the right of me." As examples he gave Mr Blair's proposals to in-troduce child curiews and take scribing them as meaningless attempts to echo foreign political rhetoric, in an article in today's New Statesman. She says grants away from students, pro-posals which the Republican Labour is not going to abolish the monarchy, which would in-deed make Britain a "young country", a phrase with "a dis-Party would consider blasphetinetly Australian flavour".

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She ridicules Mr Blair's fondness for the idea of "renewal", saying that for most people the wird applies to insurance and television licences.

Ms Johnson also rakes up the row over Mr Blair's decision to demote Clare Short from transport to overseas aid spokeswoman: "It's ironic that one frontbencher who does speak in plain words - Clare Short - has been demoted for thinking the unthinkable without a licence."

She says New Labour should drop the "New", because everyone knows the party has changed, and adds: "In an age of mass media. New Labour's language should pass the Des Lynam televisinn sports presentation test: can it generate excitement, unity and amhition and yel be capable of reacting to disappointment ly of four could have to pay up without despair?"

Paedophile on the run given job with children

stretching back 41 years attacked two schoolboys after being employed by a local authority at an Astroturf football pitch, the Old Bailey heard

John Roberts, 63, who was on the run from prison when he was taken on by a London council, was told by Judge Alan Hitching that he was facing a life term. An Old Bailey jury convict-

ed him of sexually abusing two boys aged seven and 13. Both have been left traumatised by their ordeal, it was revealed. Roberts went on the run from jail while on home leave from an eight-year sentence

and took an assumed name of William Lanc. He went to an employment gency and applied for the job of groundsman for Kennington Astropurf football pitch in south

London. Lambeth council gave him the job at the pitch, which is used by hundreds of youngsters in the borough. The cours was not told whether the council had made

any police checks.
Police revealed afterwards

A paedophile with convictions that he was in the process of stretching back 41 years atteams when he was arrested.

Roherts, of Peckham, south London, was found guilty of buggering and indecent assault on the seven-year-old and indecency with the 13-year-old. He was cleared of one charge of indecency with the younger boy. The offences occurred in October last year.

Roberts cursed the jury and continually interrupted the proceedings after the guilty verdicts. He was ordered to sit down and. keep quiet or face being taken

The judge told him: "This is the ninth offence of this nature and his passion in this direction is showing no signs of abating. I have to consider a very long jail term or a life sentence for the protection of the public and voung children.

He adjourned the case for pre-sentence and probation reports to be prepared. The judge also extended legal aid to Roberts' desence team so a top QC could be employed to argue his case as he is facing such a long penalty.

Roberts worked for Lamheth for four months using his position of trust as a means of getting close to children, the

court heard. Edmond Brown, prosecuting said: "He used his influence and his age to take advantage of two boys and invite them into his

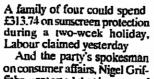
The court heard that he enticed the boys with money and by taking them to hamburger restaurants. The boys, who were not allowed to have any counselling until after the trial, gave their evidence via a video link.

A father of one of the boys saw Roberts follow his son into hushes at the ground and later warned him off.

But Roberts continued his activities. He gave the 13-year-old boy £15 and showed him and his seven-year-old friend pornographic pictures of

He carried out the attacks at his flat and when police raided it they found a Polaroid camera, gay magazines and condoms. He was caught after one of the boys told his father.

Holiday sunscreen 'costs £313'



fiths, protested that because of the "high price" of these products and "confusing information" on labels, many Britons were being put at risk of potentially deadly skin cancers.

Mr Griffiths said the Consumers' Association, the Cancer Research Campaign and the Imperial Cancer Research Fund were now calling for action to clarify how sunscreen should be used to protect against skin Calculations by Labour's

disclosed, he said, that a fami-

coverage over a two-week holiday. "Considering the high price, it is no wonder that 46 per cent

of sunbathers do not use sunscreen at all," Mr Griffiths said. He added that the calculation was based on market research conducted by the CA. This

showed that the top 25 per cent be clearer and manufacturers of recommended sunscreens cost an average of £2.49 per adult application. For a family of four, including two young children, this would equal £7.47 per application. Applied three times a day over two weeks (42 deaths were attributed to it applications), the sunscreen would cost £313.74.

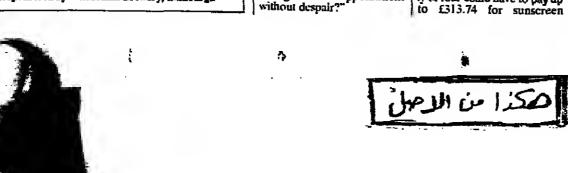
Mr Griffiths said: "It should Consumer Policy Unit have clearly label their product and protect consumers from the pain of sunburn and the threat of cancer. It is clear the public even more real," he added.

are confused and the manufacturers have not acted to resolve the problems."

"It is absurd that so many people pay so much and yet have to learn the hard way how unprotective their sunscreen is." He added: "Labelling has to

should make the product available at prices people can afford ' Mr Griffiths said that 40,000 Britons were diagnosed with skin cancer and that 2,000

each vear. "In Scotland, where cases of melanoma, the most dangerous be the duty of manufacturers to of skin cancers, have risen by a staggering 240 per cent in 20 years, the dangers of mislead-ing labelling of sunscreens are



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Tolstoy once said: "All happy families resemble one another, but each unhappy family is unhappy in its own way. Psy-chologists evidently disagree: they are seeking 200 newly-wed couples in order to discover what makes a happy couple and what makes a nappy couple and why so many apparently perfect marriages quickly spiral into un-

The couples will be tracked by Government-funded academics for three years to see how the relationships change under pressure from all sides, from relatives and friends, to house work and money. The unlikely research has never been more pertinent, with more than four in 10 marriages ending in divorce, at a huge financial and emotional cost to those in-

Professor Frank Fincham and a team from the University of Wales, Cardiff, will study relationships between the newlyweds with the aim of improving pre-marital counselling by signposting the pitfalls.

We know very little about the development of a marriage and what happens to couples in the early years of marriage. If we understand what is happening, we can do a better job with pre-marital counselling because we can tailor the counselling to what we know," he said yesterday.

The team, who received a £144,120 grant from the Economic and Social Research Council for the work, will ask why newly-weds are happy, how they stay happy and what kinds of problems creep into the relationship. In 1993, the latest year for

which figures are available, 299,200 couples said "I do" - at an average cost of £11,500 - and 165,000 said "I don't" - at almost the same cost. Family breakdown costs the country more than £4 billion a year in benefits, lost tax, legal and

In 1993, 23 per cent of mar-riages that ended in divorce had lasted less than five years. This suggests that many couples were unprepared for marriage, that their expectations were unrealistic, or that they faced particular pressures, such as parenthood.

The rising divorce rate is a whereas most divorces take person for Relate.



It's good to talk: Ronald and Florence Coleman, who have been married for 29 years, say they talk through every decision and never go to bed on an argument. "We have our arguments - who doesn't - but Ron always makes me a cup of tea afterwards and we chat about it, " says Mrs Coleman. Photograph: Edward Sykes

significant factor in the doubling of single households in the past 15 years. There were 6.8 million last year - a figure predicted to rise to eight million by the end of the decade. This coincides with research showing that people living alone tend to be younger, richer and happier

with their lives. Yesterday also saw the release of new figures from Relate, the marriage guidance organisation, which suggest that place between years five and nine, most couples who turn to counselling are their tenth year The average age of clients

who come for counselling is 37 for men, and 34 for women roughly 10 years after the average age for marriage. "Our hypothesis is that it's to

do with the arrival of children in a relationship. It's often quite a difficult time for couples," said Julia Cole, spokes-

She said that survey evidence come to counselling say time hold chores? How has your exshowed a number of factors and time again I wanted to be pectation of your mate which were likely to increase the risk of divorce: if comples marry before the age of 21; if their parents were divorced; if they live together before marriage

and if they belong in the bottom two social classes. She cited the two key things that helped make a happy marriage as flexibility and the ability to communicate. "It's portant that there are no

able to say something hut I didn't know how to raise it'," she said. "Taboo subjects eat away at a relationship like a cancer.

In Professor Fincham's study, couples will be observed talking to each other and will also undergo computer tests.

Crucial questions include: Do you and your mate engage in ontside interests together? Do you confide in voi taboo subjects. People who How do you share the house- made contact with vicars and 874932

changed? Professor Fincham said there priests and I've even visited St

Catherine's House in London

to track down the official

records of newly-weds, only to

find the most recent records are

for 1994," he said.

A Newly-wed Couples Hot-line has been set up at the uni-versity for paid volunteers who

will undergo a three-hour ini-tial interview followed by ses-

sions over the next three years.

-wed hotline: 01222-

was no question of producing a standard template. "Each couple is unique, but there are courmon elements which we will be looking at," he said.

But so far his team has had little success in getting volun-teers to tie the knot. "The registry office seems unwilling to

A marriage is likely to be called happy if neither party ever expected to get much happiness out of it. Bertrand Russell (1872-1970)

Bittersweet advice

The most difficult year of mamage is the year you're in Franklin P. Jones

Happiness in mamage is entirely a matter of chance. Jane Austen (1775-1817)

Before mamage, a man will lie awake thinking about something you said; after mamage, he'll fall asleep before you finish saying it. **Helen Rowland** (1875-1950)American journalist

By all means marry: if you get a good wife you'll become happy; if you get a bad one, you'll become a philosopher. Socrates (469-399 BC)

Marriage is the greatest earthly happiness when founded on complete sympathy Benjamin Disraeli

Flower-power remedy proves equal of anti-depressant drugs

LIZ HUNT Health Editor

A folk medicine traditionally used to treat depression is as effective as standard antidepressant drugs and has fewer side-effects, according to a new study

Extracts of St John's wort (hypericum perforatum), a com-mon garden plant with a profusion of yellow flowers, have been used in folk medicine for hundreds of years to treat a range of ilinesses.

In some European countries, particularly Germany, it is wide-ly accepted as an effective treatment for psychological problems. In 1994, German doctors prescribed 66 million daily doses of the herbal remedy, known also as hypericum, worth about £26m.

Now scientists from Germany and the United States, have analysed the results of 23 clinical trials involving 1.757 patients with mild or moderate depression who were treated with St John's wort extracts, or a combination of this and other plant extracts, or a placebo, or another drug treatment.

Professor Cynthia Mulrow and colleagues at the San Antonio Cochrane Center, in Texas, and a team led by Dieter Melchart at the Ludwig-Maxinalians-Universität in Munich,



found that St John's wort was wort patients, and 53 per cent "significantly superior" to a of those on standard anti-de-

placebo, and equally effective as standard anti-depressants. According to the report in to-morrow's issue of the British Medical Journal, there were

wort, and 3 per cent with stan-

pressants.
The team concluded that St

John's wort was a promising treatment for depressive disorders, while emphasising that furless than 1 per cent drop outs ther research was needed to for side-effects with St John's evaluate its safety and side effects. "We believe there is good dard anti-depressant drugs.
Side-effects occurred in less evidence that hypericum is better than placebo in treating than 20 per cent of St John's some depressive disorders," the

know if hypericum is better in treating certain depressive disorders than others, and neither do we know if different preparations of hypericum are equally effective or the optimum dosages."

In an accompanying BMJ editorial, Peter De Smet, a clinical pharmacologist at the Royal Dutch Association for the Advancement of Pharmacy, said that despite evidence that the plant extract was safe and well-tolerated - there has not been a single report about a serious drug interaction or toxicity in Germany after extensive use - caution was necessary. Extra studies to determine if St John's wort was of use in severe sion were also needed.

St John's wort contains at least 10 substances that may contribute to its effectiveness as an anti-depressant, including hypericum - thought to inhibit an important enzyme in the brain, which has an affect on neurotransmitters which relay mes-sages between brain cells. The remedy is licensed in Germany for the treatment of anxiety, depression and sleep disorders.

There are about 400 species of St John's wort found throughout the world, and itgrows well except in extremes of temperature such as the

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How chess prodigy is kept in check

WILLIAM HARTSTON Chess Correspondent

Former Russian boxer, now resident in the United States, seeks ciever, modest, stay-athome girl from good family. Nationality unimportant. Will pay costs of travel and education. Preferred age-range 13 to 14. Independence guaranteed at 21. Successful applicant may also fall in love with son of advertiser.

That, in a nutshell, is Rustam Kamsky's plan unveiled in an interview in the latest issue of the British Chess Magazine. Mr Kamsky's son, Gata, recently failed in his challenge to Anatoly Karpov for the Fide (International Chess Federation)

known that his plans for his son extend beyond the chess board.

At 21, Gata is undoubtedly one of the most exciting prospects in the chess world, yet for the past seven or eight years, his passage has been far

from smooth. Coached by his father, first to he a musical prodigy then a chess player, Gata has led a rechisive existence, studying for 13 or 14 hours a day with total dedication. Apart from supervising his son's chess studies, Mr Kamsky has lost his temper with op-ponents (threatening to kill Nigel Short in one notable out-

world championship, but Kam-sky senior has now let it be Gata's food, and irritated spon-title, but now that Gata is 21, Mr sors when playing conditions, or financial arrangements, did not meet his expectations.

While Gata himself behaves impeccably at the board, hardly any of his tournaments or matches has passed without some outburst from Kamsky père. Fisticuffs are rare, hut shouting matches all too common. In the latest title match, it was a row with Karpov and the organisers about the rules at the start, then a complaint against two operators in the computer room that they might be passing information to the champion.

Until recently, all efforts

Kamsky's horizons have widened. "I want to avoid bad and chance encounters for my son," he explained, "the mistakes of youth."

He has even talked about giving up chess and finding a new career for Gata - medicine is currently the field that he finds most attractive. "I am dreaming that my son should be a normal person with a good profession, interesting work, family, children, a house with a garden and a dog."
And Gata's opinion? "It does

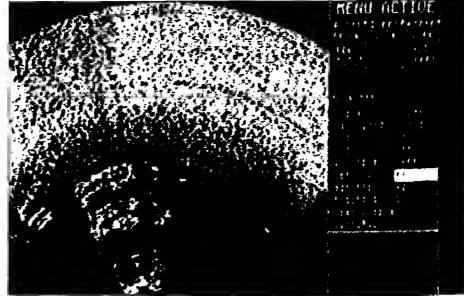
not matter," said his father, "because I am the master of the hurst), complained about rivals seemed dedicated to the sole house. It's up to me to decide."

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Sea gives up its secrets as investigators locate last resting place of British carrier 'Derbyshire'





Into the deep: Video images of the Derbyshire's broken hull, (left), and a decaying section of the vessel (below). The radar image (right) which pinpointed the site of the wreckage for the expedition. The pictures appear to rule out a theory that the ship's rudder had become detached, causing it to lose control

Photographs: Metro



CHRISTIAN WOLMAR Transport Correspondent

Both sections of the bulk carrier Derbyshire, which sank 16 years ago in the South China Sea, have been located by an expedition trying to discover why

The wreckage of the 90,000ton ship — which was built on Teesside — lies 4,200 metres uoder the sea, 1,000 miles southeast of Japan. The main bow section was first discovered by an expedition funded by the International Transport Federation (ITF), a union-funded body, last year and an expedition, carried out last week, has now found the stern section about 600-700 metres away. Video footage taken by re-

Split bulkhead seen on video of wreck

mote cameras show the ship split at bulkhead 65, and this may have caused the disaster. possible to say whether the bulkhead failure caused the ac-cident, or whether it was a consequence of other problems.

The expedition is part of a £2m two-part survey which has been mounted after pressure from the relatives of the 44 people lost oo board to try to dis-cover what caused the loss. The second stage will take place around 40 days of survey work which it is hoped will solve the 16-year mystery.

Sister ships of the Derbyshire were all reported to suffer structural problems - and one of them, the Kowloon Bridge, broke in two after running aground in 1986.

For many years, the Department of Transport refused to undertake a survey and it was only when evideoce was brought hack by the ITF that it bowed to pressure from the families.

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the video footage to the families before releasing it to the press. One of the assessors, Robin Williams, said that some of the families found it upsetting "but we tried to prepare them as best as possible". There

was no sign of human remains. The video clearly removes one possibility raised by the inconclusive inquiry into the dis-aster - that the Derbyshire had run into problems in high seas after losing its rudder. The rud-der can be clearly seen in its oormal position, and Mr Williams believes that an adjacent heap of mud will prove to hide the propeller - ruling out the pos-sibility that it fell off. However, another 11 possible causes remain to be considered.

Mayor ousted in Orange backlash

MICHAEL STREETER Belfast

The Unionist mayor of Londonderry who was stripped of his powers over his role in an Orange Order road block is threatening to sue his own

The decision by city council to effectively make alderman Richard Dallas a lame duck mayor is one of a number of signs of oationalists' growing anger following the Orange march through Drumcree. SDLP MP Joe Hendron is

tabling a parliamentary question over the alleged presence of a police authority councillor, Trevor Wilson, at a Loyalist blockade in Cookstown in the week of the Drumcree protest. The police authority, after a meeting with the Unionist councillor, says it is taking no further action.

Nationalists are also trying to remove powers from a senior Unionist councillor on Magherafelt District Council, following claims that he also took part in a road block.

The Catbolic boycott of Protestant businesses in Castlederg, Co Tyrone, was sparked by similar allegations against local Unionist businessmen.

Mr Dallas said he feared other councils would follow the lead of Derry City Council and take sanctions against Unionists. The mayor, who was present at a road block on Craigavon Bridge, in the heart of Londooderry, on 10 July, said his council's decision was illegal and that he would be seeking legal advice.

He had been "castigated and demonised" by the nationalist community simply for acting according to his Unionist convictions, he said.

The vote on Wednesday evening means Mr Dallas has

official offices and secretaria support; he is not allowed to carry out civic duties, although he sists he will attend some

Mr Pat Devine, the SDLP leader in Londonderry, said Mr Dallas's actions had gone beyond what was reasonable for a mayor who was supposed to represent the entire local community. He said Mr Dallas would have to make amends before his powers were restored. The simplest solution would be for him to resign," Mr

Devine said. The week-long protests in



Richard Dallas: In trouble over

early July by Orange men included setting up hundreds of road blocks around the province and demonstrations against the RUC's decision to han a march past a Catholic area of Portadown in Co Armagh. The reversal of the decision in the face of massive Orange protests has caused great anger in the nationalist community, which insists the police gave way to mob rule.

The effect of the disorder surrounding Drumcree has influenced the multi-party peace talks at Stormont, which have adjourned for the summer, and seems likely to be felt in Northbeen stripped of his mayor's car, ern Ireland for a long time.

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Mail dispute set to defeat union leader

Chances of chances of management's amendments to its "New Way of Working" proposals and their attempts to reassure staff about their future. as activists get angrier, reports **Barrie Clement**

It has been a long and vicious war at the Royal Mail and Alan Johnson, leader of 130,000 postal workers, has become one of its victims.

Mr Johnson may make one more attempt today to impress the postal executive of the Com-munication Workers' Union with his favoured solution to the long-running dispute. Otherwise, the committee may order more stoppages to follow next Tuesday's scheduled strike.

It has been a long and de-pressing haul for the general secretary of the CWU. Over the last two years his members have been involved in a series of damaging skirmishes with management largely concerned with fears over job security. According to some estimates the stoppages - most of them un-lawful - made up one in three of the days lost through strike present negotiations began. action in the entire economy.

Along with senior management - with whom he is on good terms - Mr Johnson has brokered ceasefires in local disputes be heading for an official national dispute with the Post Office, be spent weeks trying to from the talks. restrain his activists with proposed settlements.

Then, reluctantly, he called a nationwide strike ballot in protest at productivity proposals and in pursuit of greater job security. The result tended to the union and was simply a deundermine management's theory that the unrest was simply being fomented by activists.

dees for the minimum in return.

Given Mr Johnson's refucthree to one for national strikes.

More talks were hurriedly unexecutive - which is in day-to-day

control of the dispute - rejected

Finally, CWU walked out oo their first national stoppage on 21 June. There were a further two walkouts while Mr Johnson continued attempts to reach a settlement. All proved fruitless.

Then came his most embarrassing miscalculation of the mood of his colleagues. Having persuaded them to call off last Friday's walkout under government threats to withdraw the Royal Mail monopoly on delivering letters, he went on to agree with management a settlement that he felt confident of selling to the executive. He proclaimed publicly that a deal

was virtually complete. His colleagues, bowever, felt be was "bouncing" them into a settlement. Voices were raised and fingers were wagged and they refused to accept it. So incensed was the executive that they rowed back oo all the nods and winks conceded in hundreds of hours of talks. Yesterday, as activists gathered in London, the clock had been turned back to March when the

The main management concession secured by Mr Johnson was that the productivity pro-posals would be the subject of prolonged negotiation, with rather than peace settlements.
And when his union seemed to joint talks over 15 months. In particular, "team-working" would not necessarily result

In return Mr Johnson agreed that his union would drop the objection in principle to group working. The executive reject ed that on the grounds that such working methods would sideline vice for extracting the maximum amount of work from employ-

Given Mr Johnson's refuctance to lead the union into industrial action in the first place, dertaken by Mr Johnson, but the he may be one of the last people qualified to bring it to an end.



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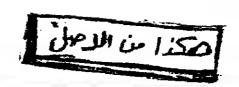
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The image of a wet weekend in Bognor is dead. The hot summer of 1995 lured Britons away from Mediterranean beaches to spend more time and a record amount of money in England.

Llama-trekking on the South Downs, driving tanks in Norfolk, murder mystery weekends in country houses - all are digging away at traditional bucket-andspade breaks in the sun.

The annual report of the English Tourist Board (ETB) re-veals that spending on domestic tourism - one or more nights away from hnme - rose by 10 per cent last year, making a to-tal nf 99.6 million trips. An even bigger increase in holidays lasting four to seven days - 13 per cent - helped raise domestic spending to a record £6.8bn.

Seaside holidays are still our favourite, accounting for nearly two in five trips in England and generating £3bn. The most popular destination remained the West Country, home of cream teas and sunny beaches.

However, the biggest growth was recorded in Northumbria -25 per cent up. There were also 9.6 million trips to the North West, 10.2 million to Yorkshire and Humberside and 3.3 million to Cumhria.

The North has done brilliantly," said Tim Bartlett, the ETB's chief executive. "We're moving away from the idea of lying on a beach sweltering. People like to go walking, cycling ... and there is beautiful open countryside in somewhere like Cumbria."

The second biggest improvement was in Lindon. which saw 10.4 million trips. London has become a fashionable place," said Mr

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LIZ HUNT

A London health authority is on

collision course with the Gov-

ernment over its plan to defy the

ban on prescribing anti-malar-ial drugs on NHS prescription.

The Lambeth, Southwark and Lewisham Health Author-

ity, says it is vital that its GPs

should be able to make the

drugs available tn the local

population, many of whom trav-

el frequently to Africa. Four

times as many cases of malar-

ia, a potentially life-threatening

disease, are reported in south-

east London as in the rest nf

ing of local medical and phar-

maceutical committees, and

pharmacists have been assured

that they will be reimbursed if

However, a spokeswoman for the Department of Health

said yesterday that the author-

ity would be breaking the law

ford foreign holidays then they should hudget for the drugs.

Anti-malarials which have oth-

er clinical uses, such as the treat-

ment of gout, can be prescribed

on an NHS prescription, but for

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they dispense the drugs.

The authority has the back-

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Bartlett. "There is a tremendous amount of new developments, like the Trocadero. There is a theatrical renaissance going on, whatever Trevor Nunn might say. And we have some of the

best restaurants in the world." Total turnover of tourism for the UK in 1995 was more than £37bm. It provided 1.7m jobs and accounted for more than 5 per cent of gross domestic product.

The figures for 1995 came before the end of the IRA ceasefire, but the ETB are hoping that the recent bombings in London and Manchester will

nnt dent this year's numbers. "If there is any impression, is usually short lived," said Mr Bartlett.

The chairman of the ETB David Quarmby, said there was still much to be done to improve services for visitors.

The information revolution has so far passed the tourist industry by," he said. "Yet it is the one consumer sector where information is most critical, because of the non-routine nature nf the purchase decision, and the degree of fragmentation.'

Mr Quarmby added: "I would like to see national tourist information available on a freephone 0800 number. Also we are only nibbling at the edges of information on tourism nn the Internet."

But the Costa Brava is not forgotten. A spokeswoman for the Association of British Travel Agents said: "The lure of the foreign holiday remains strong. People are not giving up going abroad; they are taking a break in England as well." English Tourist Board Annual

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A health authority spokes-woman said discussions with the

Department were under way, but denied it was acting illegally

Our understanding is that the

Department has guidelines, not

Simon Hughes, spokesman on health for the Liberal De-

mocrats, whose brother Richard died of malaria after returning

from honeymoon in Kenya in

1992, welcomed the health au-

thnrity's decision, and hailed it

follow suit, and said that free

anti-malarial drugs would not

only prevent malaria, but would

also save money spent on hos-

pital treatment in this country

this message very seriously. If

The Government must take

He urged other authorities to

as a "landmark" policy.

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Where we went and what we spent

British 'malaria

zone' set to defy

NHS drug ban



Leaping ahead: Tynemouth in the North East, an Increasingly popular holiday destination

Photograph: Ted Ditchburn

Our newly favoured friends in the North

LOUISE JURY

It has Hadrian's Wall, Durham cathedral, Europe's biggest shopping centre and one of Britain's most unspoilt natinnal parks. And Newcastle United. Tourism chiefs believe the

publicity generated by Kevin Keegan's football team has been the icing on the cake in Northumbria's rise to public consciousness.

Northumbria, the four northastern counties of Durham, Cleveland, Tyne and Wear and Nnrthumberland, has shown the fastest growth in attracting overseas visitors of any English region over the past decade. Last year it was the fastest

rowing destination for the British on hnliday with a 23 per cent increase in numbers on the previous year and a 53 per cent rise in the amount they spent. Peter Sloyan, Northumbria

Tourist Board's chief execu-

tive, said: "It is a tribute to the

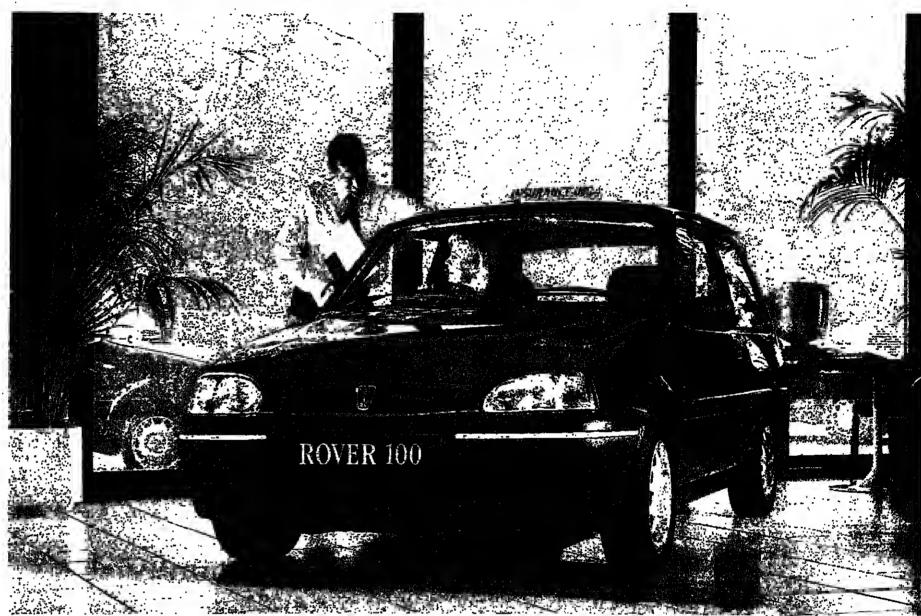
penple whn make the beds, serve the teas and work in the craft shops. People have heard so much about collieries and shipyards and back-to-back houses that it has held us back in the past. But it appears that that perception is going."

American travel agents voted Newcastle the eighth best party-city in the world (the only English contender) while the Council for the Protection of Rural England found it the most tranquil area in the country. But football has been the big new contributor in the feel-good factor with Newcastle United, Middlesbrough and now Sun-derland all in the Premiership.

Newcastle United was not surprised. "The sort of support we get here is absolutely staggering," a spokesman said.

The club's connection with the regeneration is close. Sir Juhn Hall, its chairman, was behind Europe's largest shopping centre, the Metro, in Gateshead

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it does not restore free trave vaccines, then health authorities will do so even if they have to break the law to do it," he said. "I call on nther health authorities to follow the brave lead set by Lambeth, Southwark and Lewisham, for the public health,

if it went ahead. "They are gobut also for financial savings. ing to have to rethink their pol-A survey by the health auicy because it is illegal," she said. thority found that in 1995, 270 Under regulations which cases were identified in its area, came into effect in February last of which only 75 were formalyear, a GP can only write a prily reported. vate prescription for anti-malarial drugs. The Government's attitude is that if people can af-

Most of the victims were British residents of African descent whn caught the illness while on trips to Nigeria, Ghana or Uganda. They often had not taken precautions because they believed themselves immune after previously living in a malarial country.

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Home Office: guns are linked to crime

PATRICIA WYNN DAVIES Legal Affairs Editor

The Home Office hit back yesterday at attacks by the gun lobhy on its evidence to the Cutlen inquiry, which suggests links bet-

ween gun ownership and crime.
A detailed 29-page document came in response to Lord
Cullen's request for a Home Office reply to the criticisms.

The paper insisted: "None of the commentators have seri-ously challenged the broad conclusion drawn ... that there is a correlation between international levels of gun ownership and gun homicide and that gun ownership probably increases overall homicide rates.

It continued: "It is felt significant, too, that no serious challenge was made of the similar correlation between gun ownership and gun-related suicides, or of the fact that ... marked differences to levels of gun-related crime in the US compared to England & Wales are not echoed in offences in which guns are not involved."

T... Home Office said that the document did not constitute not intended to pre-judge the response ministers would even-handguns. tually make to the Cullen report.

But the paper's emphatic tone will be welcomed by cam-paigners for a ban on handguns. "The commentators (and those whose opinions they draw upon) are largely critical of gun control. They challenge

specific pieces of research without acknowledging that no single study is ever watertight, including those they themselves quote," it said. "The general message of the research note that there is evidence from a va-riety of sources of a correlation betweeo gun ownership and gun crime – is overlooked."

More than 50 times more gun killings take place in the US than in the UK, and for those involving handguns the toll is 150 times higher. For non-gun killings the figure is just two-and-a-half times higher. Num-bers of all gun-related crimes appear to be far greater than would be expected from differences in recorded crime for other offences, the paper says.

Donald Dewar, Labour's

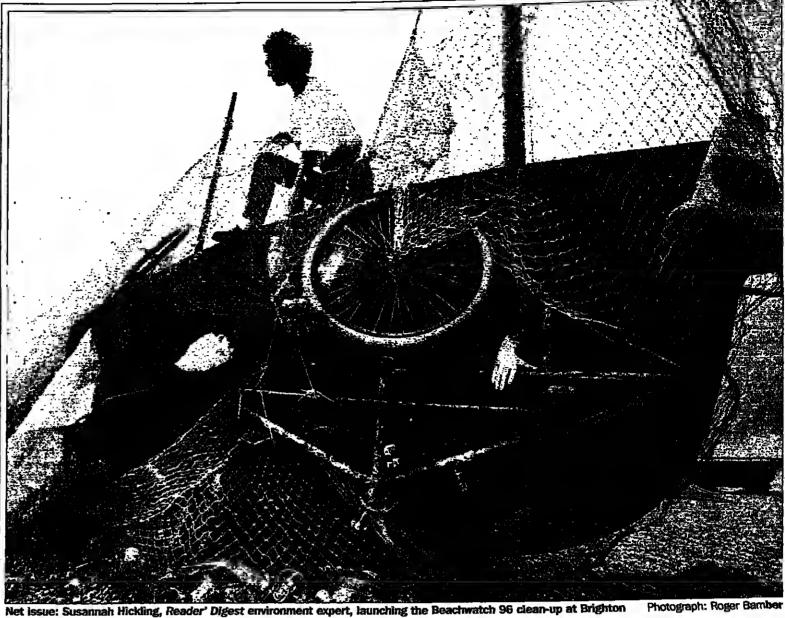
Chief Whip, vesterday stepped up pressure on the Government

"I can assure the Prime Minister and the Home Secretary that if they try to rediscover the plot on law and order and introduce legislation to ban handguns, the Labour party will back them." he said.

Mr Dewar maintained that a significant oumber of Tories would oppose such a measure.
"The question is whether John Major will have the courage to face them down. If he does he will get our support." According to a compilation by Labour from Dod's, the par-

liamentary reference book, the following Tory MPs list shoot-

ing as a recreation: Rupert Allason, Peter Atkinson, Sir Nicholas Boosor, Timothy Boswell, John Carlisle, Alan Duncan, Edward Garnier, Charles Goodson-Wickes, War-ren Hawksley, David Heath-coat-Amory, Sir Nicholas Lyell (the Attorney General), Sir Hector Monroe, Michael Morris. Sir Cranley Onslow, Richard Page, James Paice, Graham Riddick, Andrew Robathan, Peter Temple-Morris, David Tredinnick and Nigel Waterson.









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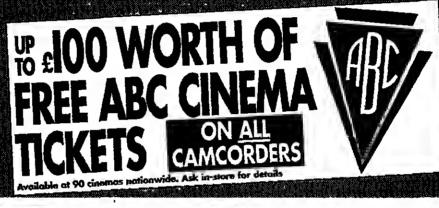
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Universities in £13m drive to recruit students

FRAN ABRAMS Education Correspondent

Universities will spend at least £13m on advertising their courses in the next year - enough to save more than 500 of the 3,000 jobs which are likely to be lost this year because of government speoding cuts.

New research shows that although there will be a drop from last year's all-time high of £14m, many universities and colleges will still rely heavily on adver-tising to fill their courses after the A level results are published this month.

student, it is crucial for universities to keep numbers up even if they are having to cut staff jobs at the same time.

Many oew universities cannot fill all their places through the conventional entrance system and rely on the clearing system to find students who have not been accepted into the course of their choice.

Last night, university lecturers' leaders condemned the

competition that has developed in higher education and predicted that 8,000 jobs would be lost in the next three years.

Universities have suffered a 5 per cent overall cut in budgets this year and will face a 50 per cent drop in capital funding over the next three years. Among those which expect to lose most of staff are Aston, which has announced 130 voluntary redundancies, and Sheffield, which is looking for 250. David Triesman, general sec-

retary of the Association of University Teachers, said universities faced the dilemma of cutting marketing hudgets and losing students, or keeping them up and being forced to cut staff.

The idea of a system which is as crudely competitive between institutions as ours is absurd. What we need is cooperation, not cut-throat competition," he said.

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Jonathan Reay, spokesman for Riley Research, which compiled the report on last year's admissions process, said that al-though £5m of the £14m spent in 1995 had been during clearspreading their efforts through-out the year. "I think there has been a definite squeeze on marketing budgets as a result of the cuts. But it is now very clear to everybody in the sector that if you don't get the students you don't get the funding. If you don't get the funding you can't don't get the funding you can't keep the jobs and you are in a downward spiral."

Last year, the University of Central England was only new university which did not advertise in the oational press during the month-long clearing process. Its pro-vice-chancellor, David Warner, said: "My view is that every pound I spend on marketing is a pound not spent on teaching and learning. One should look extremely carefully at every aspect of it," he said.

The top advertisers in 1995 were: De Montfort, £223,608; Luton, £192,230; Huddersfield, £162,758; Greenwich, £101,734; and Sheffield Hallam, £90,935.

DAILY POEM

The Secret of Burning Diamonds

Bought from the marts of Amsterdam, the city built on herring-bones, where emeralds dug in Serendip shone and stank of mullet-skin -

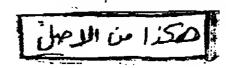
This one was the first to burn. A diamond dull as the flat gel of a cod's eye. Quoted as point eight carats, colouring poor, brilliance sub-poor. Smelling of mine-mud. Heart-flawed, the merchants at Rialto said, and wouldn't pawn it for a pipe.

Not for the rose-cut, this one, its chandelier hatchmarked with cracks. curio, knick-knack, souvenir from Orange. Forgotten in a pocket, the strongest substance in the world:

diamond. A lock gaping for keys. Open as glass, giving away nothing. Not that the cut skin is lacquered with hydrogen, or that this clenched strength will burn -

Lavoisier, the alchemist, buys it in the Jewish Quarter for the price of a sausage. Later, he'll invent oxygen.

Tobias Hill published a first short collection Year of the Dog (National Poetry Foundation), based on his experiences of teaching in Japan, last year at the age of 25. In the same year he won an Eric Gregory award from the Society of Authors, and this September joins the Oxford Poets with Midnight in the City of Clocks (OUP). Faber publish a short story collection, Skin, in 1997.



Globe director demands his pound of flesh

MARIANNE MACDONALD Arts Correspondent

Shakespeare's Globe Theatre has falleo foul of critics before it has even opcoed - by trying to charge them to review its debut production of The Two Gentlemen of Verona.

Theatre critics were surprised and offeoded to receive a letter yesterday from the artistic director, Mark Rylance, asking. them to buy their own tickets because the Globe still oeeded to raise £6.7m for education and

The theatre:

every penny'

The critics:

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"I think he is just a

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exhibitioo facilities. One phrase in his missive has aroused particular spieco: "If you cannot afford to huy a ticket, or feel it is improper for me to ask this of you, please accept ooe free from us

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that it is a particularly distasteful method of persuading them 21 August, could hardly be Nicholas de Joogh, the Lon-

don Evening Standard's theatre critic, said he was "very surprised" by the letter. "It seems rather strange to worry about £16 multiplied by 12 which comes to less than £200," he said. "I think he is just a rather silly young man, although a rather bright one.

The consensus is that Mr Rylance may be getting his own back on the critics who almost universally panned his production of Macbeth at Greenwich Theatre last year in which Rylance sported a Hare Krishna Globe, and the open-air space skirt and woad tattoos.

has been laboriously coo-

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of the audience in the back rows

will find it hard to hear the per-

formance as a result. They will

have even more difficulty if, as

Mr Rylance hopes, the audience

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Mr Rylance's choice of The

Two Gentlemen - in which he

will star as Proteus - to open the

theatre has also been greeted

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was inspired to choose it by a

It is thought not to be very

"like a bear-baiting pit".

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dream of his wife's.

Unfortunately, a proportion

Michael Coveney, the Observer's critic, said it was "bad PR ... It may be some revenge on the critics who didn't like his production of Macbeth". David Nathan, theatre critic for the Jewish Chronicle, added: "I'm oot going to go cap in hand to Mark Rylance and say, 'Please can I have a ticket'. I've been a critic on and off for oearly 40

years and I've never been approached in this way before." A spokeswoman for the Globe insisted the reason was

purely financial:
"It's a policy not to give out complimeotary tickets at this stage ly do need every penny," she said. Mr Rylance Coveney, the Observer has compounded his difficulties

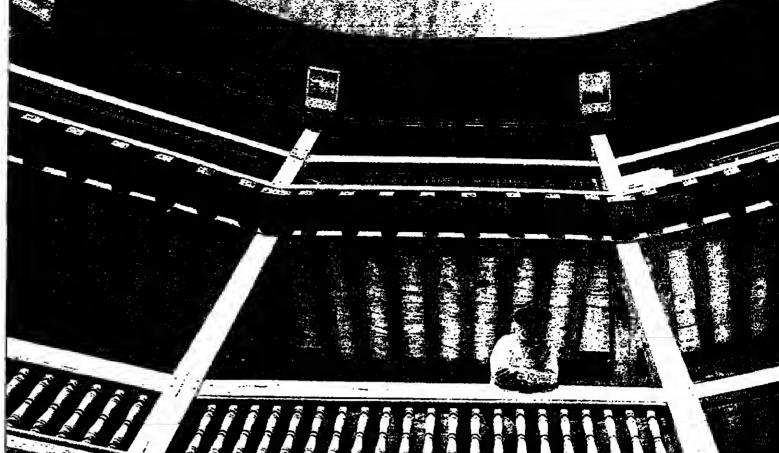
some suspect

- Nicholas de Jongh, deliberately - the Evening Standard free tickets on a hank holiday weekend. This. too, is highly unusual. The theatre's opening, on worse timed, since it falls in the middle of the Edinburgh Festival. "He couldn't have designed

> critic commented drily. Observers are having growing doubts about the entire project, which some believe is in danger of becoming more like a Shakespeare theme park than the serious theatre it was intended to be.

> a more stupid time if he had sat down and thought about it," one

The late Sam Wanamaker conceived the theatre on the south bank of the Thames as a replica of the 16th century



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Virginia Woolf: A woman's view

Surprisingly, I'm the first English woman writer to write a full scholarly biography of Virginia Woolf. There hasn't been a full-scale one using a lot of primary material writteo in England sioce the book by her nephew Quentin Bell in 1972. He rather depoliticised her we have a friendly argument

about that. I've tried to react against some of the standard lines on her that have become accepted in the last 10 or 15 years. I resist the image of Virginia Woolf as someone whose life was destroyed by madness and ren-dered painful all the way through by things which hap-pened to her in her childhood - her mother died when she was 13 and her half-brothers had an oppressive relationship with her, with a lot of unwanted physical contact — or as someone repressed by her hus-

In fact, she was very funny and had a very sharp eye for po-litical events. So in my book you get her reading of the General Strike, her views on the abdication crisis, and her reaction to the rise of fascism.

There's a lot of unpleasantness around Virginia Woolf and I doo't try to walk around it. She was notoriously spiteful and malicious and could be very unkind. But she was more critical of herself than anyone else could ever be.

The book draws on oew ev-

First Person Hermione Lee, Professor

of English Literature at York University, has devoted five years to a biography of Virginia Woolf, who drowned herself in 1941 during an attack of mental illness. Virginia Woolf is published next month by Chatto, price £10

idence. There are a oumber of her letters which haven't beeo published, for example the correspondence in Hull with Winifred Holtby who wrote Woolf's hiography during her

You can see Virginia was half not wanting to tell her anything and half flattered and pretending she hadn't read it.

There is also a lot of correspondence which refers to her. Clive Bell, Woolf's brother-inlaw, had a long relationship with Mary Hutchinsoo — although they were both married to other people — and Clive ofteo made unkind references to Virginia Woolf. One letter has a rather good description of her having her first driving lesson from her husband Leonard, backing into a brick wall and saying crossly: I would be able to do this perfectly well if no one was watching me!





Syria and Israel warn of brutal war in Lebanon

Beirut - The seeds of a new and brutal war in southern Lebanon are being sown this week as a virtually powerless ceasefire committee prepares to start work amid threats from Israel of "uncontrollable escalation" and a warning from Syria of a "war option" if the conflict is not resolved.

This menacing exchange has effectively changed the "land for peace" equation upon which the Arabs and Israelis were to come to terms. Now, it seems, the chilling formula is "peace or war". And no one doubts where a new round of violence will start: southern Lebanon.

A report in the Israeli newspaper Haarer: yesterday that the new Israeli prime minister, Benjamin Netanyahu, has secretly met a Syrian "envoy" in Jerusalem to discuss withdrawing from Lehanon, has only added fuel to the fire. The Israelis have publicly - and the Syrians privately - denied that any such meeting took place; and, given Syrian president Assad's refusal to conduct secret talks with Israel, little credence was attached to the report. But the Syrians can ideotify a consistent Isracli tactic: to offer a peace - unilateral withdrawal from Lebanon, thus isolating Syria – which is unacceptable, and then to blame Syria when it refuses to deviate from the original terms of a solution to

Reports of secret talks in Jerusalem threaten the Middle East peace process, reports Robert Fisk

President Hrawi of Lebanon, powers announced they would whose government is controlled by Syria, has already refused to accept a unilateral Israeli withdrawal, nnt least because Israel is demanding that 22,000 Syrian troops be withdrawn from Lehanoo as part of the deal.

Israel knows Syria will not pull its forces out of Lebanon on these terms (so the Arabs suspect): the Lebanon initiative is an excuse to heap further hlame on Damascus and make way for a conflict with Syria or its allies on Lebanese soil. In five days' time, ceasefire

officials from the United States. Israel, Syria. France and Lebanon are to pay their first visit to the south of Lebanon. The UN, who were not party to the Israeli-Hizbollah truce, will host representatives of the five powers on the Israeli-Lebanese frontier. But none of the officials has the slightest idea how the ceasefire will be monitored.

More than 170 civilians were killed by the Israelis in April when the Syrian-supported Hizbollah militia fired rockets into Israel after a Lebanese boy was killed by a bomb in southem Lebanon, After Israeli artillerymen massacred more than

set up a committee to control the fighting in southern Lebanon. At the UN base at Nagqoura, the old force commander's cooference room, large enough for 45 people and equipped with two telephooes and a solitary map of southern

Hrawi: Controlled by Syria

the committee, although the Lebanese are themselves deeply sceptical of its purpose.

In the meantime. Israeli-Syrian relations have worsened sharply. Mr Netanyahu, who has abandoned the negotiations of peace and recognition for Israel in return for Israeli withdraw-- the Syrians (and the Hizbol-lah themselves) see the com-100 Lebanese refugees under al from occupied Arab land, has the UN's protection, the five now said that only full-scale ne-

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mittee as legitimising the Hizbollah "resistance" movemeot. Israelis and Arabs on the committee thus wish to work in precisely opposite directions. "Just look at the detail," one gotiatioos on Lehanon can

assault Israel's occupation

al or electrical installations.

southern Lebanon less bloody

Lebanese officer commented avoid "uncontrollable" military escalatioo. General Hikmat wearily. "If the Hizbollah kill two Israeli soldiers and then go Chehabi, the Syrian army chief of staff, has meanwhile said Syrhome to their village, the Israelis are going to want to shell the vilia will accept nothing less than lage. So what are the Hizbollah expected to do? Stand in a "land for peace", and that the "war option" remains open to field and wait to be hit by a he-Syria if the "peace process" fails.
As the Lebanese know all too licopter gunship? And if the Israelis bomh a Hizbollah well, the conflict between Israel and the Syrians is fought out in position, does this mean the pi-lot can't fly home to Haifa, that south Lebanon where the Hizhe has to land in a field in southbollah, funded by Iran but enern Lebanon? It's ridiculous." couraged by Syria, continue to

The UN will make no official comment on the work of the troops. Under the terms of the ceasefire committee but they April truce - in effect a "rules are known to be concerned at of war" agreement rather than the possibility of too close a coa ceasefire - Israeli troops and Hizbollah guerrillas may con-tinue to kill each other inside operation with the five powers. Nor is it difficult to see why. If UN battalions are asked to Lebanon provided they do not ive military information about shoot into civilian locations, and provided that Hizbollah Hizboliah movements to the committee - information to be does not fire Katyusha rockets over the border into Israel. made available to Israeli delegates - then UN troops' neu-Both sides also undertook not trality will be challenged. Equally, UN information on Isto launch military attacks from civilian areas or from industriraeli military positions will have to be made available to the Syr-Unfortunately, whereas the Israelis want the agreement to disarm the Hizbollah - which ians and Lehanese - and Israel is unlikely to believe that this would make their occupation of will not then find its way to the Hizbollah.

All in all, a bleak prospect for



Flag bearer: Saeed Ahmed at the Olympic opening ceremony

Weightlifter defects from 'concentration camp' hell of Iraq



PHIL DAVISON

The Iraqi weightlifter who carried his country's flag at the Olympics opening ceremony defected yesterday, saying: "I want to escape the hell of Iraq. Saddam and his sons

have turned Iraq into a concentration camp. Saeed Ahmed, 29, from the southern city of Basra, is seeking asylum in the United States. He said: "I have seen with my own eyes [Saddam's] consin, Ali Majid, shoot in-nocent civilians."

Mr Ahmed did not say whether or not he was a Shia Muslim, a majority in the Basra area where Iraqi Pres-ident Saddam Hussein, a Sunni Muslim, has violently put down several aprisings in

The athlete said he tricked Iraqi intelligence officers, ac-

credited as team officials but acting as "minders", before a team trip to Atlanta's zoo on Wednesday. "I told them I had to go back to my room to change clothes. Then I made a run for it from the Olympic

village," he said. He said he had been helped by two members of a local anti-Saddam group, one of them reportedly a Briton, who had first approached him with a message offering to assist him. One of them, Omar

Muhamed, a student at a technical college in Atlanta, said he had posed as an Argentine athlete last week, approached Mr Ahmed in the Olympic vil-lage where the athletes are staying, and slipped him a let-ter in Arabic offering to help him defect.

Mr Ahmed later sprinted

Brooke, reportedly a Londoner now resident in the US, were waiting in a car. "He was running, sweating. He was very afraid and nervous," Mr Muhamed said later.

Making detours in case Iraqi intelligence officers followed them, the two men drove Mr Ahmed to a "safe house" ontside Atlanta and introduced him to a lawyer.

Thomas Fischer, a spokes man for the local offices of the US Immigration and Naturalisation Service, said last night that the athlete had not yet formally applied for

An "associate" of Mr Ahmed had contacted the immigration service on his behalf and the athlete was likely to be interviewed this week, he

from the Olympic village to a nearby petrol station where Mr Mubamed and Francis

Mr Ahmed finished 23rd of 28 competitors in the 99kg class of the weightlifting event Mr Ahmed finished 23rd of 28 competitors in the 99kg

Palestinian anger at death of activist after jail beating

STEPHANIE NOLEN

A crowd of 7,000 jammed a hillside cometery in the West Bank city of Nahlus yesterday for the funeral of Mahmoud Jamayyal, who died after being tortured by Palestinian police.

Jamayyal was "one of our own", one mourner said, and his Bank two years ago. Police funeral was a bitter mark on the road to increasing anger at the Palestinian Authority (PA), welcomed only seven months ago.

Jamayyai, 27, was declared brain dead on Monday after being taken to hospital from prison in Nablus. His lawyer said he had serious burns, lacerations and had been savagely beaten. The hospital said he had suffered massive internal bleeding and was kept alive by respira-

tor until yesterday.

Haj Ismail, commander of the PA security forces in the West Bank, went to Jamayyal's family home to return his body. Jamayyal's father refused to accept it until his other soo. Muayyed, who has been held for seven mooths without charge, was released. As a huge crowd gathered, the police restill being held in Palestinian lented. Muayyed was released

and the family moved to hury Mahmoud.

Thousands followed the procession to the cemetery, some chanting the names of the nine other young men who have been killed under interrogation by the Palestinian police since they were first deployed in Gaza and parts of the West

agreed to stay away. Nablus observed a commercial strike yesterday. The city was a centre of resistance to Israeli occupatioo and has had a stormy relationship with the PA since it took over last December. Hostility reached a peak in March when police raided the An-Najah university and arrested more than 100 students.

Those arrests were part of a crackdown on Islamist militants following a wave of suicide bombings in Israel. While Israel and America demanded the PA crush Hamas, many who wound up in jail were merely observant Muslims, caught in the wrong place at the wrong time by a police force desperate to show it was doing something.

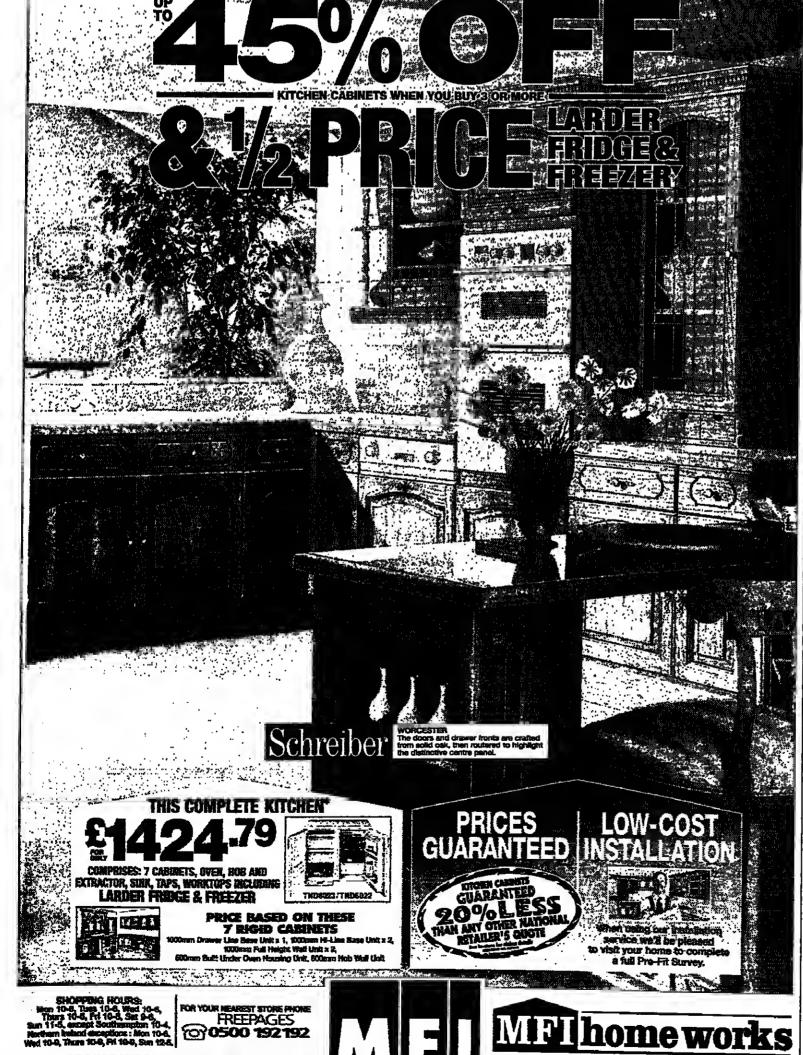
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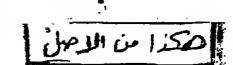
nine prisoners in Juneid prison in Nablus are on the 12th day of a hunger strike. The Palestinian Human Rights Information Centre says it has "dozens and dozens" of documented reports of torture.

Jamayyal, however, was not a Hamas supporter. He was a member of the Fatah Hawks, the militant branch of Yasser Arafat's dominant political faction, and was a popular leader during the Intifada rebellioo.

Days after taking over Nablus, the Palestinian police went after the Fatah Hawks. Jamayyal was detained less than a month after the police arrived. His family only learned of his whereabouts wheo a nurse

recognised her patient The rising anger in the West Bank and Gaza is matched only by increasing fear. "The PA took the free hand it was given by Israel and America to crack down on Hamas and they did that, and they used all the torture skills the Israelis taught them . . . now they're turning everything they learned against their own people, determined to wipe out every shred of opposition," said one human rights





Washington BARRIE CLEMENT Labour Editor RICHARD LLOYD PARRY

International human rights groups have reacted angrily to the crackdown in Indonesia, calling for the release of political prisocers and an eod to

written to President Suharto condemning the detention of is 10 years imprisonment. Un-Muchtar Pakpahan, the country's der the Act, suspects can be held most prominent independent indefinitely without trial.

ernment of helping to mastermind the pro-democracy rioting and charged with "subversion" Mr Pakpahan is being held

under the Anti-Subversion Act, which outlaws anyone "disseminating feelings of hostility or arousing dissension, coo-flict, disorder, disturbances or anxiety" or "disturbing ... industry, production, distribution, commerce or transport". The International Confederation of Free Trade Unions has squad, and the average sentence

powers granted to the military and the prosecution under this law, and the heavy restrictions it imposes on detainees' rights, make serious human rights violations almost inevitable". In

1993, the United Nations Com-

mission on Human Rights urged the repeal of the law, and until this week its use was becoming more rare. Mr Pakpahan's arrest warrant said that he was being questioned as part of an investigation into Budiman Sudjatmiko,

According to Annesty In-ternational, "the exceptional fomenting the weekend riots as Pakpahan had been subjected ter nine months following inpart of an effort to overthrow the government.

The ICFTU issued a statement condemning the "harassmeot and intimidation of Pakpahan for carrying out his legitimate trade unioo activities". Bill Jordan, former president of the Amalgamated Engineering and Electrical Union in Britain and now general secretary of the ICFTU, told Mr Subarto that unions around the world were "extremely concerned" about

over several years to detentioo, intimidation and harassment for carrying out legitimate trade unioo activities. The actions of the Indonesian government were in violation of internationally established convections on human and trade union rights as endorsed by the UN's Internal Labour Organisation to which Indonesia is a signatory,

Mr Jordan said. Confederation representatives were dispatched to Indonesia in 1994 after the unioo leader was jailed for four years, later extended to five, for alleged

ternational pressure.

A spokesman for the American embassy in Jakarta said: "We continue to be deeply concerned about the appareot violation of basic rights of freedom of peaceable assembly. freedom of speech, freedom of association, respect for rule of law and the democratic process. and call on the Indonesian government to ensure that all those arrested and detained, including Muchtar Pakpahan, are given due process." But US human rights groups are calling on the government to end all weapons

Washington did go some way down that road last week when it announced a ban on the sale of armoured personnel carriers

and crowd cootrol equipment. "This new ban on armoured vehicles sets an important precedent," said Charles Scheiner of the East Timor Action Network, which monitors human rights in Indonesia. "It represents an acceptance on the part of the State Department of the principle that withholding weapons sales can advance human rights. This principle should be taken to its logical

sales to the Suharto regime. weapons exports to Indonesia. Human rights groups believe that Washington will refrain from taking tough action against Indonesia for fear of jeopardising US business interests there. The New York Times said in an editorial yesterday: "The United States, which has been quicker to see Indonesia as an emerging market than an emerging democracy, must use its considerable influence to discourage reflexive repression and encourage timely change." There was more than \$40bo of foreign invest-

ment in Indonesia last year. Leading article, page 13

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the leader of the People's De-mocratic Party (PRD) which is Judge's 'toothache' thwarts opposition court challenge

Move to highlight government manipulation fails, writes **Richard Lloyd Parry** in Jakarta

It was oever going to be more than an outside chance, hot oo one expected it would end in such an anti-climax. Yesterday, a legal challenge to the political dispute which provoked riots in Jakarta last weekeod was frustrated after one of the judges went down with an alleged toothache.
The Jakarta district court

was scheduled to hear a case brought by the opposition politician, Mcgawati Sukarnoputri, who claims that she was illegally deposed as elected chair of the Indonesian Democratic Party (PDI) at a government sponsored congress in June. Ms Megawati's supporters occupied the PDI headquarters in central Jakarta and after police evicted them in a violent raid last Saturday there were riots which left at least four dead and hundreds arrested or injured.

Yesterday, lawyers acting for Ms Megawati demanded her restoration as party leader, and claimed damages from the Interior Minister, Yogie Memet, the commander of the armed the national police chief, and Suryadi, the PDI politician who reptaced her. But the hearing was adjourned for three weeks after the chairman of the threejudge panel submitted a sick note from his dentist.

A crowd of ahout 300 Megawati supporters jecred as the announcement was relayed through loudspeakers to the street outside the court. Traffic



Defiant: Megawati Sukamoputri's lawyer, Robert Tambunan, outside court yesterday

busy street in northern Jakarta which was quickly blocked off by police and soldiers armed with automatic rifles. Armed soldiers had been positioned on buildings overlooking the court, but since the army announced on Tuesday that it would shoot troublemakers on sight there have been no more violent demonstations in Jakarta. A piece of wood was dropped from a building on an armoured away by plain clothes security agents, but the demonstration was otherwise peaceful and broke up after an hour.

Ms Megawati's supporters are under no illusions about their chances of winning the case, which intended only to draw attention to the government's manipulation of the oppositioo. The Indooesian judiciary is notoriously reluctant was blocked as the chaoting to find against the government. crowd began to march down the Earlier this year, a senior judge

who blew the whistle on a court rule, is increasingly suspected of bribery scandal came under pressure from his own Chief Justice to step down.

"We filed the case because we hoped that while it was pending the government wouldn't have the nerve to take over the headquarters," said Lubut Pangaribuan, a lawyer for the PDL. "We were wrong, and this case won't in itself solve the problems of the PDL But it's a means of at this rate it might be three years or more until it's completely finished. My guess would be that the judge has nothing wrong with his health. He was quoted in the paper yesterday, and there was oo mentioo of

dentists then." Opposition politicians and foreign diplomats have been surprised by the crudeness of the tactics adopted by the government of President Suharto who, after 30 years of unchallenged

losing his touch. That the ousting of Ms Megawati should lead to riots in the capital is a grave embarrassmeot to the government and there are veiled signs of disgruntlement among members of the political and military establishment. Yesterday the speaker of the House of Representatives and confidant of the President named Wahono. was quoted in the Jakaria Postvarning that: "We have to be able to accommodate the wishes of the people through constitu-

Blame for last weekeod demonstrations is officially being placed on the People's Democ ratic Party (PRD), which is ac cused of plotting to overthrow the government. But "red peril" scares and shoot-on-sight directives are seen by critics as a crude method of dealing with dissent among an increasingly sophisticated and restive population.

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Gun law: Marines guard the presidential palace yesterday as demonstrators approach

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Indonesia's crackdown on political dissidents has exposed flaws io Australia's attempt to appease its closest neighbour. Australia's response to the crisis in Jakarta, where soldiers have been ordered to shoot rioters on sight, has been one of the weakest of any Western

While the United States has called on Indonesia to protect democratic rights, Alexander Downer, Australia's Foreign Minister, said only that he was "concerned" about the onrest and hoped it would "settle down very quickly".

He refused to criticise the

military regime's use of force to attack the Jakarta headquarters of the Indooesian Democratic Party. "We'll, we doo't conduct our affairs in Australia in the same way," he said.

Policy-makers in Canberra are anxiously watching events unfold in Jakarta, knowing that Australia risks being embarrassed over its failure to condemn the Suharto government's violation of human rights, while heing quick to speak up over abuses in countries that are further away, such as Burma.

Australia's cootorted policy reflects its problems in trying to balancing its strategie interests as a democratic country of 18 million people, most of European descent, living next door

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to the world's fifth-most populous country and the most populous Islamie state. In an attempt to dispel traditional Australian fears of an "invasion from the oorth", Canberra's policy-makers have gone out of their way to turn a country once seen as an enemy into a friend. Indooesia is oow Australia's twelfth-largest trading partner and its second-biggest

The previous Labour government of Paul Keating made Indonesia of primary impor tance, as it focussed Australia's foreign relations towards Asia. Protests in Australia over human rights ahuses in East Timor, the former Portuguese colooy that lodonesia has

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occupied since 1975, were brushed aside. In its last months in office Mr Keating's governsecurity treaty with Indooesia amid some secrecy. Since it succeeded Labour five mooths ago, the Liberal-

Howard has falleo into line with its predecessor over Indonesia. Mr Howard plans to make Jakarta the destination of his first overseas visit as Prime Yet the longer that instability lingers in Jakarta, the more the Australian government risks

James Dunn, a former Australian intelligence officer ment coocluded a cootroversial and consul in Portuguese Tim-

or at the time of Indonesia's invasion, said the crackdown showed that Canberra had been National government of John unwise to sign a security treaty with Jakarta. "A treaty always assumes common political standards or commitments," he

Even before this week's riots, relations had become strained over Canberra's appointment last mooth of Miles Kupa as oew ambassador to Indooesia. Jakarta refused to accept Mr tralian newspapers have strong-ly criticised President Suharto's Kupa after it was revealed he had crincised the alleged corhandling of the crisis and have ruption of the Suharto family.



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Bosnia: The US fears Muslim-Croat federation is in danger of falling apart over Mostar poll

Clinton urges Croats to end election boycott

TONY BARBER Europe Editor

President Bill Clinton is expected to tell Croatia's leaders today that they must help abolish a separatist Croat ministate in Bosnia and stop the Croat boycott of the muoicipal council in the divided city of

The Clinton administration has summoned Croatia's President. Franjo Tudjman,

and his foreign and defence ministers to Washington to spell out that Croatia will pay a price if it continues to undermine key provisions of last year's Dayton peace settlement for Bosnia.

"We've already told the Croats we're not going to let them get away with this boycott, that their behaviour in Bosnia will shape their future ties with the West, on whom they must rely for economic development," a senior US official said. "We've

told Tudjman that if the [Muslim-Croat) federation falls apart and he is the reason, if he makes any attempt to annex part of Bosnia, Croatia will be an international pariah." US negotiators brokered a

deal on Wednesday under which Bosnian Croat leaders committed themselves to abol-ish once and for all their state of Herzeg-Bosnia. The rogue entity, a Croat mirror image of the Bosnian Serb republic, should have been dissolved under the Dayton terms, but it has survived with thinly-disguised support from Mr Tudiman.

Since even the most solemn promises uften turn out to mean nothing in former Yugoslavia. US officials suspect that the Bosnian Croats will not eastern sector and a western

honour their latest commit-ment unless Mr Tudjman comes officials say is under the control under pressure to bring them

Croat nationalists established Herzeg-Bosnia in 1992, and since then the territory has been little more than an ap-pendage of Croatia. It uses the Croatian flag and currency, and its ruling party is a satellite of Mr Tudjman's Croatian De-

occupies 51 per cent of Bosnia.

to prevent a three-way partition

of Bosnia into Muslim, Croat

and Serb areas, are to start op-

erating after Bosnia stirst post-

war general elections on 14

Despite the apparent progress on abolishing Herzeg-

Bosnia, US negotiators are

finding it difficult to extract a

pledge from Mr Tudjman and his Bosnian Croat clients to end

the division of Mostar. The

city is split into a Muslim-held

September,

These institutions, designed

have refused to recognise the re-sults and take up their seats in the city couocil, thereby permocratic Union (HDZ). petuating Mostar's division and keeping alive their hopes of maintaining a distinct Croat political

unit in Bosnia. US officials discussed the Mostar crisis with Mr Tudjman in Zagreb on Wednesday and found him in uncompromising mood. However, he is likely to he more conciliatory with Mr Clinton as he attaches great impor-tance to the US-Croa-

of Croat nationalists, war prof-

The Bosnian Croats, who

regard Mostar as the capital of

Herzeg-Bosnia, narrowly lost municipal elections to their

Muslim rivals on 30 June. They

iteers and gangsters.

tian relationship. The EU has administered Mostar since 1994 hut has made no progress towards ending its division. The present ad-

Under the deal brokered by ministrator, Sir Martin Garrod, has told the Bosnian Croats that John Komblum, the US mediator, Bosnian Muslim and the EU will pull out on Sunday Bosnian Croat leaders have until 8 August to set up powerunless they join the city coutcil, but they greeted his warnsharing institutions for the Muslim-Croat federation, which ing with scorn. Western governments regard

it as essential that the Croats recognise the Mostar election results and end their council boycott if next month's all-Bosnian elections are to look

Bosnia's Muslim-led government contends that the polis will not be free and fair because both Bosnian Serbs and Bosnian Croats are hostile to the central purpose of the elections. That is to uphold the principle that Bosnia is a single state, even if split into Muslim-Croat and



Man and machine: Two Talwanese motorcyclists battle against the flooded streets of Taipel after Typhoon Herb swept through the Island yesterday, leaving three dead, three missing and injuring nearly 200 Photograph: Simon Kwong/Reuter

Jewish cemetery attack linked to right

MARY DEJEVSKY

The desecration of the Jewish cemetery at Carpentras, an event that scarred the national psyche and did untold damage to France's image abroad, may be close to resolution after an investigation lasting more than six years.

The news that four men had been arrested, that two had confessed and that all four were believed to have links with a far-right movement, was greeted across France yesterday with a collective sigh of relief.

Jean-Claude Andrieux, the mayor of Carpentras - a rundown town set in glorious Provencal countryside - hoped it would now be able to "recover its honour". He has seen the town, whose Jewish communi-

of Avignon accorded Jews special protection, become a pariah. Investment has passed it by, as though outsiders feared its malign associations. All development, repairs and business give the impression of having been frozen for six years.

On 10 May 1990, France woke to reports that one of the country's oldest Jewish cemeteries had been despoiled. More than 30 tombstones had been smashed. The body of 81-yearold Felix Germon, buried two weeks before, had been exhumed, impaled on an umbrella, and left with a star of

David on his stomach. The immediate suspects were local members of the National Front, which is strong in Southeastern France. In Carpentras, with its established Jewish pop-

north African immigrants and an economy not benefiting from the fashlon for all things Provençal, the National Front had a distinct following.

The public outcry was such that the Socialist interior minister. Pierre Joxe, flew down to the scene and delivered an impassioned condemnation of racism and anti-semitism. He named the National Front leader, Jean-Marie Le Pen, as at least indirectly – respon-

sible for what had happened. Mr Le Pen, who came to deny his members' involvement, said the National Front was being framed" one month before parliamentary elections.

Three days after the dese-cration 200,000 people, led by President Mitterrand, filed through Paris in an act of na-

tional contrition. It was the been in charge from the outset. largest street demonstration the capital had seen since the student protests of 1968.

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The investigation, however, seemed to run quickly into the sand. Two groups of skinheads and a group of local girls were detained for questioning and released. A year ago, the newly appointed head of the local judiciary appeared to accept testimony from a girl who said adolescents from well-connect-ed and "untouchable" local

families were responsible. Last October, keen to capitalise on their apparent abso-Intion, 10,000 National Front members converged on Car-pentras to insist they had been unjustly vilified. But the new theory still found no culprits. In April, the investigating judge, Sylvie Mottes, who had was replaced and the case was transferred to Marseille.

Now the theory of far-right involvement has been resurrected, four skinheads in their mid-20s are under arrest, and a fifth man, an army officer in Alsace, is being questioned.

Mainstream politicians are delighted that the far right is back in the dock as the campaign for next year's parliamentary elections gathers pace. The National Front is furious.

Its spokesman described the latest developments as "fantastic in the extreme", and denied that the skinheads' group. the French and European Nationalist Party, was anything to do with them. "You can't ex-clude manipulation by the secret services or the complicity of local figures." he said.

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'Pravda' closes as lost medals trigger row

Moscow — The newspaper Pravda, for decades the mnuthpiece of the Soviet Cummunist Party and still popular with leftist opponents of President Boris Yeltsin, has been closed down indefinitely after a row between its Russian editor and its Greek financial backers.

Meanwhile, some of the staff are hringing out a tabloid ver-sion of *Pravda*, but it is nothing like the Sun or the Daily Mirror and certainly there are no page 3 girls. It is just a single sheet nf paper finlded into a small square to make reading easy for commuters on the packed Moscow metro.

The row between the editor. Alexander Ilyin, and Theodoros and Christos Giannikos, two Greek brothers who have kept the newspaper affoat since the collapse of the Soviet Union, was ostensibly over three valuable medals which were misplaced. In Soviet times not only loyal citizens, but also nrganisations were given medals and Pravda was the proud owner of three Orders of Lenin which it printed on its masthead as symbols of its "history and service

Earlier this month, Mr Ilvin had a nostalgic urge to look at the medals themselves and went tn the safe where they were

Newspaper editor and owners have ing itself on crutches, cannot help our invalids" and underneath was fallen out, reports Helen Womack

kept, only to find that the combination had been changed and he could not open it. He called

The Giannikos brothers, directars of Pravda International which has published the paper since 1992, turned up and were denied access to the building. Later it turned out that the medals, which collectors will pay up in \$1,000 apiece for, had been moved in the Greeks' safe.

In the ensuing row, charges of drunkenness were made. "Our journalists seem to like partying too much," Theodor-os Giannikos was quoted by the Moscow Times as saying. They think they can do no work and still get a salary."

There are violations of discipline, but do foreign journal-ists only drink tea?" Mr Ilyin returted. "Our newspaper is like any other. Maybe we are not the most organised in this respect. But when you work for a newspaper that has been falling apart for years and your salary is just enough for a bottle of vodka, what else are you going to do?"
The deeper reason behind the

row was a disagreement over editorial policy. Pravda, founded by Lenin and whose name means the truth" in Russian, continued to take a fairly orthodox Communist line, but its new owners wanted to make it more centrist to raise circulation, which has dropped from 13 million in Soviet times to 200,000.

The tabloid, called Pravda 5 and being produced by jour-nalists who had experience on the livelier weekend section, is less propagandistic than the old paper, which Kremlinologists used to comh for clues to official policy, and closer to a newspaper in the Western sense. For example, the main story

in the edition for 31 July was headlined: "Government, stand-

a neutral report on the attempt of G7 countries to combat terrorism. This was a far cry from the former hostile reporting of foreign affairs when the United States, for example, was referred to as "Uncle Sam" and Western leaders were portrayed in car-toons as fat capitalists loaded down with sacks of money.

The Greek owners are hop-

ing that after the summer hol-

idays Prayda staff will vote out Mr Ilyin and elect a new editor tn run the tabloid on a permanent basis. But Mr Ilyin's secretary said yesterday he still regarded himself as the editor. The Communist leader, Gennady Zyuganov, said he would find money for Pravda as it had hacked him during his election fight with Boris Yeltsin. So by autumn, Russia may well have two versions of "the truth".



Soviet mouthplece: Soldiers reading of Gorbachev's victory in Pravda, 16 March 1990 Photograph: Popperfoto/Reuter

Mystery red roses mark Minden deaths

JOHN CARLIN Washington

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Yesterday morning six red roses arrived anonymously at the British consulate general in Chicagn accompanied by an envelope marked "In Memoriam". It came as no surprise to the consulate staff for the ritual has been repeated every 1 August for the last 30 years. Yet the identity of the sender remains a mystery. Under the words "In Memoriam" yesterday's envelope read, as ever:

Minden Day 1 August 1759 The Suffolk Regiment Lancashire Fusiliers Royal Welch Fusiliers Royal Hampshire Regiment Yorkshire Light Infantry
A card inside bore the cus-

tomary message: "They advanced through rose gardens to the battleground and decorated their tricorn hats and grenadier caps with the emblem of England. These regiments celebrate Minden's Day still, and all wear roses in their caps on this anniversary in memory of their ancestors." It is true that sol-

diers of these regiments do wear roses on their caps every year on 1 August in commemoration of the Battle of Minden of 1759, where the heroism of the six above-mentioned British regiments contributed to the defeat of the French army during the Seven Years

As to the identity of the sender, not even the florists who deliver the roses know who it is. They have always received their payment in cash together with the enclosed card, which is al-ways typed exactly the same way, always employing the same

Twice in the past the envelope has included a fictitious address, King's Own Scottish Borderers 1759 Albion. Staff at the British consulate assume that he - or she - either served in one of the regiments or has an ancestor who fell at Minden.

They speculate that the sender might be dead, that the roses are sent by a lawyer in execution of a will. Barring a detective investigation, it seems unlikely that consulate staff will ever be able to acknowledge the donor's poignant gesture in

SIGNIFICANT SHORTS

the Olympic bomh suspect Richard Jewell once stayed, as well as his city apartment, the FBI said yesterday.

An FBI spokeswoman said the search of the cabin in

north-east Georgia was carried out on Wednesday, when agents also scoured the Atlanta apartment of Mr Jewell, 33, a security guard at the Olympic Park where the bomb exploded early on Saturday. He has not been charged or arrested over the attack. Reuter - Atlanta

Chechens greeted reports that the leader of their 1991 independence movement had risen from the dead with a curious lack of interest. Russian state television said on Wednesday that Mr Dudayev, whn was reported in have been killed in a Russian rocket attack nn 20 April, had not died and would return to Chechnya today. Reuter - Moscow

The French president paid a flying visit to Sheikh Zayed, the elderly leader of the United Arah Emirates, at one of his several homes in the French Alps. Jacques Chirac was thought to be trying in seal agreement on orders for a \$1hn (£650m) satellite system and a \$6bn fleet of fighter planes. France is in hot competition with US firms for both deals. Mary Dejersky - Paris

ex van Weren, the "trumpeter of Auschwitz," has died at the age of 76. The Dutch musician survived the Nazi death camp by playing in a band that performed during executions of fellow inmates. His experience was later recorded in a television documentary and a biography, Trumpeter of Auschwitz. AP - Amsterdam

The wife of top International Olympics Committee member Dick Pound has been charged with disorderly conduct and battery after allegedly kneeing a woman police officer in the groin. Julie Pound, 56, in Quebec, was briefly detained and later released by police. She faces a court hearing on 26 August. Mr and Mrs Pound were crossing a road in Atlanta early on Wednesday when the incident conversed. Physicaga. Atlanta. incident occurred. Phil Davison - Atlanta

A teenage Filipina maid returned home to a state welcome, movie offers and lumps of money after being saved from execution in the United Arab Emirates for killing her employer. But a "stress debriefing" session with psychologists was also in store for Sarah Balabagan to ease her trauma, officials said. Reuter - Manila

Two Swedish cats caused \$45,000 worth of damage after flooding their owner's house whilst locked up in the bathroom. Their owner, Roger Sjoberg, said he had come home to find the house flooded and two frightened outs citizen on the shower tare. Restart - Stockholm cats sitting on the shower taps. Reuter - Stockholm

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Ivan Lalic was one of the finest European poets of his time. Ahundantly recognised in his native Yugoslavia by the award of the most prestigious literary prizes, he was also admired abroad: his poems have appeared in book-length editions in six languages (English, French, Italian, Polish, Hungarian and Macedonian), and individual poems have appeared in more than 20 anguages. He was exceptionally well

served by his main English translator, Francis R. Jones, and, with translations published also in Ireland and the United States, there were seven volumes in English alone. The Passionate Measure (1989) was awarded the European Poetry Translation Prize. The most recent volume. A Rusty Needle (1996), a Poetry Book Society Recommended Translation, contains Lalic's own definitive sclection of his early verse and two new cycles which together offer an eloquent testimony of Lalic's central themes.

Lalic lived through harsh

times: born in 1931, as a child he experienced the trauma of seeing many of his schoolfriends perish in an air-raid, and he died at n time of violent darkness in his native land, All his work is marked by the knowledge of sudden, hrutal death and the profound sense of responsibility entailed by survival: a duty to remember, to bear witness and to face the crucial questions of human

Living where he did, in the troubled Balkans, Lalic brought a wide frame of reference to his knowledge of personal suffering: as may be seen in the two last cycles in A Rusty Needle, "Dubrovnik" and "Byzantium". These two cities, and the civilisation they represent, embody passion and humanity. The ti-the two main poles of the tle of one of his major

Robert Le Masurier was one

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Le Masuriet was a popular

Bailiff, praised for the clarity of

his Court judgments. He was



Mediterranean heritage of the central Balkans.

Lalic, who lived in both Zagreh and Belgrade, had a beloved Croatian wife, Branka, and spent the summers with his family in the Istrian town of Rovinj, felt the pull of both poles and saw himself as

holonging above all to a Mediterranean tradition that included Ancient Greece and the fine Renaissance achievements of the city state of This awareness reinforced the central place in his work of memory; fragile in the face of

the collapse of civilisations, but all we have. Memory allows the poet to recreate brief instants of personal joy as well as to conjure up a sense of the distant past. It allows each of us. as individuals condemned to solitude, to connect with a shared inheritance and feel. for a moment, part of a larger

While Lalic's work is shaped by this profoundly serious endeavour, it is neither solemn nor dry. Oo the contrary, it crackles with hrilliant, arresting imagery forged by the heat of concentrated thought and, above all, it breathes with com-

Sir Robert Le Masurier

known for his sense of humour

and his strong love of the sea.

horn in 1913 and educated at

Victoria College, Jersey, and

Pembroke College, Oxford. He

hegan his legal career in 1938

as an advocate of the Royal

Court, but this was soon inter-

rupted by the Second World

War. His wartime naval recol-

lections included an incident

that attempted to make use of

his local knowledge.
The Naval Intelligence Divi-

sion planned to land Le Masurier secretly under cover of

darkness on Jersey to gain in-

the occupying German forces.

The torpedo boat used to bring

him to the island was delayed

while dropping off men to land

in Guernsey, and the impend-ing daylight forced it to return

to England with Le Masurier

He resumed private prac-

tice after the war, becoming a Crown officer (Solicitor-General) in 1955. A former col-

league at the legal firm of Le

Masurier & Giffard, Advocate

Peter Giffard, recalls that Lc

Masurier was "a first-class

lawyer". "He was absolutely

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brain and was very conscien-

still on board.

The son of a solicitor, he was

collections, The Passionate Measure, offers an adequate definition of Lalic's tone: poised, balanced, meticulously judged, these poems owe their existence to love, a word used with unselfconscious frequency in Lalie's work as the impetus for all achievements of value, from the intimate bonds of family to the great structures of past

Like all enduring poetry, Lalic's work is a celebration of the delicate power of language. It is typical of the brutal sectarian chaos currently engulfing his native land that language itself should have become a vic-tim: the language Lalic wrote, previously known as Serbo-Croat no longer officially exists; it too has broken up into its component parts, Serbian, Croatian and, now, Bosnian. Cynically abused to distort realities on all sides of the conrealities on all sides of the con-flict. language is being used by politicians to deny the shared heritage to which Lalic's poet-ry bears witness. At such a time, its searching honesty shines with a particular healing

intensity.

The sudden death of Ivan Lalic, who was expected in Britain for a reading tour in the autumn, is a crucl blow for his wife and surviving younger son, and for all those for whom his work was, and will remain, a source of inner strength. Alas o city, sandcastle on the beach

Alas o city, sandcastle on the beacht Hear the rising of the wave and the rustle of absurdity Lacing its edge, as it passionlessly cruses our marks; Who may complete with manuscript, this book which emptiness Flicks through with fingers of flame?

1"Lament of the Chronicler" from A Russy Needle

Celia Hawkesworth Ivan V. Lalic, poet: born Belgrade 1931; married (one son, and one deceased); died Belgrade 27 July

tious," says Giffard, emphasis-

ing Le Masurier's lack of

In Jersey's Royal Court

yesterday the Deputy Bailiff, Francis Hamon, paid tribute to Le Masurier. "He made

many friends," Hamon said,

"and the portrait of him that

hangs in this court to mark his

retirement in December 1974

captures his delightful sense of

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In his retirement Le Ma-

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Robert Hugh Le Masurier,

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General 1958, Deputy Bailiff 1962, Bailiff 1962-74; Kt 1966; married 1941 Helen Shering-

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Jean Muir

In 1950, Jean Muir, an actress with more than 30 films and eight Broadway plays behind her, had the unenviable distinction of being the first per-son in the field of broadcasting to he blacklisted.

She was born Jean Muir Fullarton, her father a certified public accountant, her mother a substitute teacher. An only child, she decided on a theatricai career when she saw a production of The Merchant of Venice at the age of nine. Ten years later, as Jane Fullarton, she made her Broadway début in The Inth Game (1930), star-ring its author, Ivor Novello. Next came a small role in Constance Collier's Broadway revival of Peter Ibbetson (1931). Saint Wench (1933), a oneweek flop, none the less led to a film contract with Warner

Bros, and a shorter name. Jean Muir's height - 5ft 9in was a headache when she played opposite such diminutive leading men as Paul Muni in The World Changes (1933) and Richard Barthelmess in A Modem Hero (1934). Another problem for Warners was her dedicated work on behalf of the Screen Actors' Guild, a union whose establishment they strenously opposed. She also questioned everything at the studio - particularly its publicity practices - soon earning herself the

nickname "Studio Pest". fn 1934 the Listener's young film critic Alistair Cooke rose from a sick-bed to write of the film As the Earth Tians, "It has two merits that belong to it and it alone: they are Jean Muir and the sincerity of its idealism. Jean Muir's is as lovely a face as these influenza-sodden eyes have seen even in their hrightest days." Cooke then went on to suggest Muir's ideal director - Charles Chaplin, Although

she was never directed by Chap-lin, she did get to work with Max Reinhardt on Warner Bros' allstar version of A Midsummer Night's Dream (1935) and in Reinhardt's lavish Hollywood Bowl production that perceded

it. She made a spirited Helena, a role for which her height was, for once, an advantage. In a 1934 interview, Muir had stated, "I have no desire to waste my time here. If I cannot do great work in movies, I shall nnt remain in Hollywood." Three years later, after making five undistinguished films in a row, she packed her hags and left for Broadway, where she ap-peared in *Pride and Prejudice* and People at Sea (both 1937), and on the radio. She was coaxed back to the Coast to make And One was Beautiful at MGM, and The Lone Wolf Meets a Lady at Columbia (both

1940), before returning to Warner Bros, to make her last ever film, The Constant Nymph, playing the supporting role of Joan Fontaine's older sister. By now. Muir was married and heavily pregnant, and had to be hidden behind a cello for much of her screen time. For the rest of the 1940s she

concentrated on her dual role of wife and mother, apart from an occasional theatre, television or radio appearance. In 1950 she decided to accept a lucrative offer from General Foods, who were sponsoring a new television sitcom, The Aldrich Family. As the radio version had enjoyed a run of 14 years, there were high expectations for its television incarnation, with Muir playing the lovable Moth-er Aldrich. Only hours before the first episode was to be broadcast, General Foods did a quivering impersonation of Jaffe (two sons, one daughter;

name had appeared in the notorious book Red Channels, the report of Communist influence in dio and television.

By 1956 Muir, who could now only get work teaching drama or directing it in community theatre, had become an alcoholic and was suffering from cirrhosis of the liver. Her marriage was over and she had been given six months to live. Faced with this alternative, she managed to give up alcohol, and return to acting, first in a Broadway production of Patricia Jourdry's National Theatre play Semi-Detached (1960). It only ran a week, but Muir's reviews were favourable, with one critic warmly welcoming her back.

In 1968 Stephens College in olumbia, Missouri, asked her to head their new drama department. She taught there for eight happy years, until forced to retire at the age of 65. She then took teaching jobs at universities in Missouri and Mexico.

The American writer William Manchester called her "a martyr, sacrificed to ignorance and fear as surely as any Salem 'witch' in 1692". Appropriatev. one of her most successful student productions at Stephens College was The Crucible, Arthur Miller's pointed re-creation of the 17th-century witch-hunts. When Jean Muir heard that the play was on the theatre department's list of possible presentations, she told them, "If you decide to do The Crucible, I think you'll be missing an awful lot of publicity by not using me as the directorl

Dick Vosburgh

Jean Muir Fullarton (Jean Muir). netress: born New York City 13 February 1911; married Henry their own product, Jell-O, and marriage dissolved); died Mesa, sacked her simply because her Arizona 23 July 1996.

Lorna Young

Lorna Young was the first sales director of Cafédirect, the leading "fair trade" coffee brand which guarantees a better deal for coffee growers. Dedicated to improving links between pro-ducers in the less developed world and Western consumers, she had played a vital role in its development since it was set up

Cafédirect gathered its early momentum among alternative trade outlets such as of taking this new, highwholefood and Oxfam shops and Traidcraft stalls. From this base, Young took it into the supermarkets, and thence into homes throughout Britain. She showed the major su-

permarket chains that fair trade could work for them as well as for consumers and, most importantly, small-scale producers. This was a massive challenge and no one but Lorna Young, with her unique combination of humour and strength of commitment, could have done it. A Scotswoman and an inde-

pendent spirit, she only discovered her talent for selling when she entered the publishing world in 1975, working for the next 15 years first at the medical publishers Churchill-Livingstone and later at Cham-bers. She loved the challenge of the sale and this meant that, even if she had to go beyond persuasion to gentle arm-twisting the sparkle in her eye still left the customer a friend.

When in 1990 she became a founder member of Equal Exchange, the Edinburgh-based fair trade co-operative, she found a task to which she could apply her commitment and which was a challenge for her ability. Her expertise enabled Equal Exchange to take prod-ucts as diverse and unusual as pecan nut butter, Tanzanian organic honey and Nicaraguan tahani to an intrigued national market

Wholefoods are hig husiness today, but few recognise the diversity of participants, from



subsidiaries of multinationals to large co-operative wholesalers and retailers dedicated to a lifestyle rather than a business. Young brought a clarity and directness to Equal Exchange's dealing with them all. She also enjoyed learning from them. Equal Exchange joined

forces with Oxfam, Traidcraft and Twin Trading to launch Cafédirect coffee in 1991, and Young embraced the challenge quality product into the mainstream market - something no other fair trade product had been able to achieve. She blended B professional approach to sales and marketing with a commitment to the coffee producers' cause to persuade the multiples to put Cafédirect on their shelves. With her on the other side of the table, even the most reluctant coffee huyer had difficulty in resisting her

arguments for a fair deal for all. By engaging the supermar-kets in a partnership Young put Cafédirect promotional activity into a higher gear, achieving levels of trial and awareness comparable with coffee brands spending far more heavily on

marketing.
In addition to her sales activities she was heavily involved in developing Cafédirect's dis-tinctive advertising and in working with a national network of committed fair trade supporters. Cafédirect is now an established national brand and the flagship of the fair trade movement. Its success, and the grow-ing consumer interest in ethical trading, has in turn opened the supermarket door for other fair trade products including tea and chocolate.

Young fought for the best in-terests of Cafédirect producer partners, whether in customers' offices, in Cafédirect board meetings, or with journalists. She loved to tell producers visiting London about Cafedirect's struggle to win its rightful place in the UK market.

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Sadly, she never met them on their own ground, but she knew that her higgest contribution would come from concentrating her endeavours where her skills lay, in the markets of the developed world rather than with the coffee farmers in Latin America and Africa. Few would have guessed she was fighting a long personal battle against a series of heart problems.

Ian Lepper

Loma Young, saleswoman: born Dumfries 15 June 1952; married 1976 Ian Black; died Edinburgh

Balasaheb Deoras

While I thank you for hringing to your readers' attention the life of Balasaheb Deoras, I cannot help but feel that your ohituary [by Kuldip Singh, 18 July] was unjustly critical of his work and the organisation to which he dedicated his whole life, writes Pratish Sthankiya. Claims that the RSS is a neo-Fascist organisation which was responsible for the assassination of Mahatma Gandhi are both

The RSS has over 20,000 service and humanitarian projects operating in India in order to raise the standard of living, remembered alongside many Such projects include providing medical and educational aid in

some of the poorest parts of India and are overseen by unpaid workers.

Furthermore, over three decades, three national inquiries have completely exonerated the RSS from any involvement in the assassination of Mahatma Gandhi. Given these facts, one cannot label the RSS as "neo-Fascist", a title which is usually reserved for organisations such as the Nainsulting and offensive. tional Front BNP or the Ku Klux Klan.

In the minds of millions of Indians, Balasaheb Deoras will be other great and noble men and women in Indian history.

Claudette Colbert

Claudette Colbert's wit and poise and that beguilingly worldly-wise charm which she used to such effect as the greatest of the comediennes of the golden age of cinema, was strikingly reflected in her private personality, writes Derek Granger further to the ohituary by Tom Vallance, I August].

Le Masurier: diplomacy

The soft, husky, low-toned voice, the brightly welcoming candour of expression were alight with the humour and warmth which she brought to that long line of knowing, so-phisticated heroines who graced, with such appeal, classic movies like The Palm Beach Story and It Happened One

the solid, down-to-earth pragmatism of the good French housekeeper, with a perfectionist's eve for domestic detail. a practical and deeply knowledgeable sense of how to run a suporb kitchen and the kind of fastidious determination which enabled her to produce French lettuces from the unlikely soil of a tropical island garden so that she could give her guests

a proper Gallic salad. It was at home in Barbados. where she had mostly lived for the past 30 years, that these robust aspects of her French ancestry came much into their own. Bellerive, the handsome, Georgian plantation house, situated on the Caribbean shore of the Bajan province of St With these spirited and live-ly qualities, she also combined found with her second hus-

band, Joel Pressman, Unlike so many of the prettily contrived pleasure domes which many had built as their Barbadian ho iday homes, Bellerive resembled its owner - a solid, lived-in, comfortable and welcoming house devoid of pretension. With its airy hlue and white drawing room, its huge windows letting in the breezes from the sea and its polished dark wood floors, Bellerive bore the sturdy, authentic air of a rich, colonial

It was in this criviable setting that Colbert's guests enjoyed great country style French cooking (she had taken some of her staff to study cookery in Paris) and were fussed over by devoted female retainers, including the gentle Marie who came specially out of retirement

to help look after her mistress when, in the very last years, Colbert's health began to fail. A high point in life at Bellerive occurred with the official visit of the President and Nancy Reagan to a group of Caribbean islands of which Barhados was chosen as the base. With the tropic sky now awhirr with the clatter and whooshing of helicopters, a gunboat guarding the shore and rings of bulging, Brobd-ingnagian security men, Colbert, after driving herself to the ultimate degree of meticulous preparation, emerged as the relaxed and easy hostess of a party which included Lord Bernstein of Granada Television and the right-wing commentator William Buckley and his

wife, Patricia.

Reagan had gone swimming and told funny stories about the Russians and the First Lady had taken delicately to the sea borne on a lilo, Colbert asserted her rights as hostess by disallowing the President, on health grounds, to sit down for lunch in his wet bathing trunks. The benign, light hearted afternoon was suddenly broken to encompass a dark moment of history. The President was summoned to take a ship-toshore call to General Haig, then flying back to Waskington after his failed attempt to broker a last peace deal between Britain and Argentina.

Colbert, like all good professionals, had a fine sense of her own worth but no vanity. She had too much hasic sanity

After the affable Ronald ever to think of her long and hrilliant achievement as anything other than work well Although she had lived and

worked in America for nearly all her life, she clung strongly to her roots in France (she was delighted with her award of the Légion d'Honneur) and she loved coming to England, recalling with much relish her British touring days, nearly 70 years ago, when she opened m the winter of 1928 at the Empire in a wet and windswept Cardiff, playing the suitry Lou in The Barker, a long-forgotten drama of itinerant show folk and life in the travelling circus. It is hard to think of Colbert. icon of the cinema's great era of sophistication, sampling the pleasures of matinees and

evenings in Portsmouth and Huli and perhaps it was appropriate that she should next return to the Haymarket Theatre in 1984 in a comedy. Frederick Lonsdale's Aren't We .411, as stylish and time-proof as herself All her life she was a staunch

Republican and natural Conservative, so she was therefore thrilled when Margaret Thatcher made a visit backstage and invited her to Sunday lunch at Chequers. She was also disconcerted to discover that her own enthusiasm for Britain's prime minister was not universally shared by some of the cast.

Always immaculate, a neat and clegant figure beautifully but unfussily turned out, she exuded an air of benevolent well-



being which seemed to offer a grateful acknowledgement of her own good fortune. Her image in countless films remains secure but those who knew her will remember a clear-eyed. generous and staunchly companionable friend with a huge fund of spontaneous good

Births, **Marriages** & Deaths

BIRTHS

TAIT: On 51 July 1996, at the Morningside Clmie, Johannesburg, to Katie (nee Nibbs) and Jim, a daughter, Madeleine Margaret

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69; Miss Rose Tremain, novelist and playwright, 53; Mr Alan Tuffin, former trade union leader, 63; Lord Waddington QC, Governor of Bermuda, 67; Mr Alan Whicker, television broadcaster, 71: Sir Brian Wolfson, former chairman, Wembley plc, 61.

Anniversaries

Births: Samuel Direksz van Hoogstraten, pointer, 1627; Gerard Audran, artist and engraver, 1640; Joseph John Gumey, philanthropist, 1788; Nicholas Patrick Stephen Wiseman. Cardinal, first archbishop of Westminster, 1802; John Tyndall, physicist, 1820; Edward Augustus Freeman, historian, 1823; Julius Schulhoff, organist and composer. 1825; Henry Steel Okott, co-founder of the Theosophical Society, t832; Elisha Gray, an inventor of the telephone. 1835: Francis Marion

Crawford, novelist, 1854; Ernest Christopher Dowson, poet, 1867; Ethel Mary Dell (Mrs G.T Savage). novelist, 1881; Sir Arthur Edward Drummond Bliss, composer, 1891; Leslie Lincoln Henson, actor-manager, 1891; Myrna Loy (Katerina Myrna Williams), actress, 1905. Deaths: King William II (William Rufus), shot in the New Forest 1100; Thomas Gainsborough, painter, 1788; Jacques-Etienne Monigolfier, balloonist, 1799; Mehemet Ali, Viceroy of Egypt, 1849; "Wild Bill" Hickok (James Butler), western Marshal, shot dead 1876; Marcus Andrew Hislop Clarke, author, 1881; Enrico Caruso, operatic tenor, 1921; Alexander Graham Bell, an inventor of the telephone, 1922; Warren Gamaliel Harding, 29th US President, 1923; Paul Ludwig Hans Anton von Beneckendorff und von Hindenburg, soldier and statesman, 1934; Louis Bleriot, aviator, 1936;

Pietro Mascagni, composer, 1945: Wallace Stevens, poet, 1955; Oliver Hazard Perry La Farge, author, 1963: Pritz Lang, film director, 1976; Carlos Chavez, Mexican composer, 1978. On this day: the Quadruple Alliance between Britain, France, Austria and Holland against Spain was concluded in London, 1718; the newly opened Theatre Royal in York staged a performance of Henry V. 1744; Napoleon was declared "Consul for life", 1802; the government of India was transferred from the East India Company to the Crown, 1858; British Columbia became a Crown Colony, 1858; the transatlantic cable which was being laid by the Great Eastern snapped and was lost, 1865; death duties were first introduced 1894; Russian troops invaded East Prussia, 1914; the Potsdam Conference ended, 1945; Iraqi tanks and infantry invaded and occupied Kuwait, 1990. Today is the Feast Day of St Eu-

sebius of Vercelli, St Plegmund, archbishop of Canterbury, St Sidwell er Sativola, St Stephen I, Pope, St Syngrius of Autum and St Theodota and her Three Sons.

Lectures

National Gallery: Steven Adams, "Summer Holidays (i): The Land-scape Painter's Summer: Daubigny on Holiday", 1pm. Victoria and Albert Museum; Irène

Logan, "From Majolica to the Medici patrons 1550-1600", 2.30pm. Tate Gallery: Colin Wiggins, "Loo-don as a Major Theme in the Work of Leon Kossoff", 1pm.

Simon Weinstock

A memorial concert for the Hon Simon Weinstock will be held at the Royal Opera House, Covent Garden. on Friday 4 October at 3pm. Ad-

mission will be by ticket only. Those wishing to attend should write to Mrs P. Newton, 1 Stanhope Gate, London WIA 1EH.

Appointments

Mr Vernon Scarborough, to be Ambassador (non-resident) to the Re-public of Palau, the Federated States of Micronesia and the Republic of the Marshall Islands.

Sir Mark Waller and Sir John Muss mery, to be Lord Justices of Appeal.

Linacre College

The following fellowships have been awarded by Linacre College, Oxford: Henorary Fellowships: The Right Rev Car-ciya Lamer Irish, Krish Lloyd Experitors Fel-lowships: O.G. Barber, S. Moorbath, C.W. Newbury, Supersumerary Fellowships: T.F. Earle, H. Morphy, I. Mullin, BNFL Junior Re-search Esthalia.

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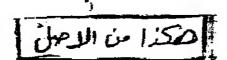
The Queen visits the Summer Camp of the Household Cavalry Mounted Registers in Their lord, Norfolk The Frince of Wales, President, the Frince of Wales, President, the Frince of Wales, President, the Frince of Wales, Institute of Architecture, visits a construction project undertaken by foundation course students of the institute at Eschurck, Survey, what the Westle and Downland Open Air Marchan, Singleton, Statest, and opens the new Visions' Centre, West Dean Godfers, and wishs West Dean College, Chuchester, Survey.

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Synagogue services

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How to help Indonesia? Stop selling it arms

ndonesia is on the edge of big, big trouble. The best thing the world can do now is to nudge it in the right direction, towards democracy and away from repression, cronyism and authoritarianism. Instead, the only sound emanating from the international community is the rustle of contracts.

Over the past week, Indonesia - previously a rock of stability in a very unstable area - has started to look very shaky indeed. Riots at the weekend followed a clampdown on the opposition, and since then there have been reports of arrests, threats to shoot demonstrators and abuses of human rights.

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The government of President Suharto, supported by a tough and well armed military, has kept Indonesia in a firm grip for 30 years. The country has regularly attracted the attention of human rights activists, notably for its bloody behaviour in East Timor, the formerly Portuguese territory which it illegally annexed 20 years ago.

No foreign government, bowever, has much short-term interest in rocking the Indonesian boat, neither its Asian neighbours nor Australia, nor the West. The torture, killings and suppression of the press were largely overlooked during the Cold War, because Indonesia was a pillar of anti-communism. After all, the current regime was installed in a military putsch, accompanied by a campaign of suppressing the Communist Party which involved

murder on a massive scale. Few governments raised their voices; that was m the mid-1960s, and anti-communism in South-east Asia was a popular cause in Washington and Canberra.

There has been little in the way of coherent government protest following the weekend repression and the subsequent clampdown, either. But this time, the principal arguments against getting too hot under the collar are financial. Indonesia is an up-and-coming economy; with limitless natural resources, 8 per cent growth and about \$40bn of foreign investment last year, everyone wants a slice.

Financial markets are peculiarly bad at assessing political risk. At some point, President Suharto will die, or be replaced, and then the markets will suddenly go wild while the investment houses try to find someone who understands what is going on. Equally, foreign investors will eventually wake up to the reality that undemocratic countries are not, in the long term, safe places to do business.

There is no doubt that everyone has an interest in stability. But is it best assured, in the long run, by repression, large armed forces and restriction of the free press, or by democracy?

This is only partially about morality. Ethics alone would imply that other governments, and international business, should treat Indonesia with some circumspection until it has sorted out



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its problems. But practicality, too,

should rear its ugly bead bere. There are sensible, pragmatic reasons for changing our approach. Indonesia is in the process of transition, as economic and social development creates a middle class that is less and less willing to be pushed around by goons with guns. The corruption, unpredictability of policy and lack of transparency that goes with authoritarianism all bamper trade. Democratisation and liberalisation will be good

for Indonesians, and good for business. The fusion of ethics and pragmatism should also temper British policy

towards Indonesia, in particular as regards the sale of arms. Britain, only one of many vendors, has sold Indonesia aircraft and tanks. The Government says that it has only allowed such highly lethal equipment to be exported after satisfying itself that it will not be used for internal repression. Indeed, the Government claims to have gone to great lengths to establish whether Hawk trainers have been used in East Timor, only to conclude that they

None the less, while Indonesia is in the business of using the army to break

tighter restrictions on the sale of arms. Europe, of the Philippines and of Indonesia needs more armaments like a drunk needs a bottle of whisky. Britain seems to have been a little more circumspect than other countries about the terms of arms sales so far; it should now go further and ban exports until Indonesia cleans up its act.

Britain has also exported electric shock batons and police vehicles. According to those who sell it, internal security equipment is acceptable because it is non-lethal and protects police forces. Again, these are not good arguments. It does not say much for Britain that one of its main claims to commercial success is the sale of the instruments of torture and repression; they should not be sold to any country which, like Indonesia, is engaged in the vicious suppression of democracy. These exports, too, should be stopped.

Both these measures would be unpopular in the arms industry and in Indonesia. Good: it is time to send a signal to Jakarta. The present unrest is a sign that things could get much, much worse, and the military needs to know that unless it relaxes its iron grip on democracy, there will be no more toys - not from Britain, at any rate. That is

good ethics, and good political sense, too. Change will come in Indonesia; when it does, better to have assisted it on its way than to bave propped up the rotten old regime. That should have up demonstrations, there should be been the lesson of Iran, of Eastern

Argentina.

It is a good time to send a signal. There are legislative elections next year, and the ruling Golkar is likely to see its share of the vote sink. The year after, there are presidential elections, and the ageing President Suharto is apparently aiming at a seventh term. Before then, it is in everyone's interest that the old regime is quietly persuaded to step off the stage and allow a proper democratic contest.

We're all gann to the Toon

ast year's glorious summer did wonders for English tourism, especially in the North-east. Trips to Northumbria went up by a quarter in 1995 compared with the previous year. Its attractions abound, from the translucent coolness of Kielder's water, the tang of smokebouses on Craster quay, the Roman remains on Hadrian's Wall to the view from the battlements on Holy Island.

But maybe the countryside was not the tourist lure after all. Trips by Brits to congested London rose spectacularly, too, last year. Could it be that all those visitors to Northumbria were actually sampling the urban buzz of

• LETTERS TO THE EDITOR •

Gun law: listen to what the people say

Sir: You were right to place Pamela Ross's letter on the front page ("Listen to me", 1 August). I wonder if she has a point when she says that if the tragedy at Dunblane had happened at Westminster more would have been done. I wonder also why those in power in this country still will not listen to

what ordinary people say. Not baving lost a child, I cannot begin to experience what Mrs Ross and the other families who lost children at Dunblane must be feeling, all I can do is support what she says. What I do believe is that their instincts are right, as are those of all caring human beings who want to see weapons such as handguns made illegal.

I support also her contention, based on listening to the Cullen inquiry, that there is "no way you can decide on the suitability of someone to own guns". It is simply unnecessary for these weapons to be available to all and sundry for the sake of something called "sport". Why is it sporting to he taught to handle weapons that kill and maim? How many more Dunblanes, Hungerfords, Port Arthurs et al will we have to endure before those we elected to make decisions on our behalf, begin to listen to those of us who are not articulate or persuasive enough to combat powerful vested interests?

None of my friends, relatives or neighbours think handguns should be legal, but for whatever reason, not all of us are able to make our voices heard. Please will somebody listen to Mrs Ross before we have tn read and watch, in mounting horror, another Dunblane. STEPHANIE MONCRIEFF Isleworth, Middlesex

Sir: Forty years ago a fellow student encouraged me to try target shooting. I remain proud to this day that I later shot for my college, and once for my university.

Pamela Ross's argument that because one individual misused the privilege of owning a gun, all target shooters must be punished, is understandable in her grief, but intolerantly wrong. Taken to extremes we should stop gardeners buying machetes and axes; housewives from buying large kitchen knives: and motorists using their cars. All have caused unlawful

Instead, I suggest three actions.
First, those wishing to use guns for target shooting should be approved by local councils as well as the police, and applications made by gun club officials.

Second, a distinction should be made between applications for single shot .22 calibre rifle and pistol licences, and more powerful weapons. Justification to hold the latter should be very severe.

Third, we have to do more to help the mentally ill, the modern day lepers in our communities. RICHARD BALMER Solihull

Sir: In 1988 my ex-husband lost his first wife and son in a horrific car accident. The police officer who broke the news was back within weeks to discuss my husband's application for a shotgun licence, which was duly granted. In the event friends were able to bring pressure to bear to stop him actually acquiring a gun and he never fulfilled his fantasies of revenge, but I had naively assumed that "someone in authority" would see the dreadful state he was in and



not compound it by allowing him

easy access to a weapon. The question is do we want to put temptation in someone's way? The Home Affairs Select Committee considering gun control after Dunblane seems to think we should. This ignores the obvious fact that guns make people in powerless situations feel powerful

As Pamela Ross pointed out in her open letter, "there is no way you can decide on the suitability of someone to own guns. You can never foresee every circumstance they will find themselves m." TRACY HART London SE14

Power of armed forces in Turkey

Sir: Tony Barber ("The Turkish question", 30 July) was right in wanting a democratic and largely secular Turkey, but he produced no evidence of improvements in buman rights over the past year. The EU should certainly use its influence more constructively than up to now. The main obstacle is the predominant power of the armed forces, exerted through the National Security Council. Seven years after the break-up of the Soviet Union, an over-large conscript army and inflated defence expenditures cause budget deficits, high inflation and a steadily depreciating currency.

Successive governments, including those of Mrs Cilier, Mr Yilmaz, and very likely Necmettin Erbakan, the new Prime Minister, have colluded with the military establishment. That is why torture of detainees remains a standard practice, why opposition members

and journalists are murdered with impunity, and why pro-Kurdish parties are nfficially banned. In addition, some 13 laws forbid the use of the Kurdish language (which is akin to Iranian) in public places, publishing or education. Successive governments have

rejected a number of ceasefire offers from the PKK armed insurgents. Martial law has heen in force in the south-east for over 10 years and a military solution to the long-standing conflict is the only one on offer.

Against this gloomy background, which Mr Barber barely mentioned, what can we expect of Mr Erbakan and the Refah party? When I was in Turkey for the general election of December 1995. I was told that Refah mayors in such cities as Diyarbakir and Istanbul had discriminated in favour of their supporters and

affiliated organisations. Will Refah show itself strong enough tn reform the armed forces and to negotiate seriously with the democratic and parliamentary leaders of the Kurds? Such negotiations would benefit other ethnic minorities, such as the Laz, and religious groups such as the Alevi, the Suryanni and other Christians, orthodox and evangelical. At present, alas, there are few signs of so necessary a change of heart. LORĎ HYLTON

Sir: Tony Barber sets out admirably why the international community is prepared to disregard appalling human rights violations in their

wish "tn forge a special European relationship with Turkey" but fails to convey the frequency and serious nature of the abuses.

To write that "most Western governments consider that Turkey's human rights record improved substantially since this time last year" is to ignore the continuing high incidence of torture, "disappearance" and death in custody. Almost every day Amnesty International receives yet more evidence that those held in police

to torture to extract information or to force a confession. With regard to the hunger strike which was halted at the weekend, Amnesty International has raised the issues of ill-treatment of prisoners and obstruction of their medical treatment with successive governments in Turkey. We have also documented the long history of inhuman treatment of prisoners

custody are still routinely subjected

during transfers between prisons and from prison to court. To address its broader concerns Amnesty International is presenting a number of of simple, practical and achievable recommendations to the Turkish government.

The Turkish government should publicly express concern about the increase in reports of extrajudicial execution and "disappearance", and should conduct thorough, prompt and impartial investigations into the cases of the scores of people who have "disappeared" in police custody since 1991. Dr PAUL MANSOUR Turkey Coordinator Amnesty International UK

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Apartheid in Northern Ireland

Sir: In his article about sectarianism "revisiting" Northern Ireland (29 July) Michael Streeter emphasises that there has been some naivety around for the last couple of years in excessive hopes that sectarian divisions had disappeared along with the paramilitary violence.

The reality is that the republican and loyalist paramilitaries were never the cause of the problem. Rather, they were the malignant manifestations of a bitterly divided society. The truth is that despite the ceasefire the divisions have not gone away and Northern Ireland is now in many ways an apartheid society. Our schools, the areas in which we live, the newspapers we read, the sports we play and social and recreational activities are all too often clearly identified either with the Catholic/nationalist or the

Protestant/Unionist tradition. The only way to create a lasting peace in Northern Ireland is to confront the evil of division and try to create a mixed and integrated society. This presents a challenge for all political leaders, church leaders and other community representatives to become involved in, not just talking about peace, but in making the difficult but necessary compromises which will be a sine qua non for the creation of a real and lasting peace. Councillor Dr PHILIP J McGARRY Alliance Party

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The quest for gold medals

Sir: Thank God for the Olympic Games. If it weren't for them, there would be no publicity given to the fact that our fast-tracking of élite athletes is so awful compared with so many countries.

I have just returned from a trip to Toronto. There, the sports facilities for everybody in the community seem to be of a very high standard. Sport and physical activities are given high status as positive, healthy aspects of life for all age groups and standards. Facilities are excellent and peoples' aspirations to take part in whatever activity they choose are taken seriously. The term "athlete" is not reserved for the chosen few. The point about "sport" is that

it is open to everyone and that anyone can enjoy it at any level. Gold medallists are at the top of a pyramid with many levels; it seems that if we don't have the different levels, it's impossible to have the medals

SUE LEATHER Cambridge

Sari party

Sir: Rosie Millard's article. "Shalwar kameez: how wili you wear yours?" (27 July), was very interesting. However, Asian clothes are nnt that new to European women, well not this one. On a trip to London in 1968 I bought my first sari in Charing Cross Road for £5: and wore it to a Christmas party. "Jemima and Diana started it", I don't think so. CAROL ANN CHEE-LYNCH London NW7

Support for Labour dissenters

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Sir: You printed today three letters from people critical of the recent remarks by Ken Livingstone MP and others about the Labour Party leadership (31 July). There are many of us in the Labour Party who are pleased that Ken Livingstone, Diane Abbott and others have spoken out. The leadership of the party is acting in an autocratic manner and there must be a change of approach before it is too late.

We have seen over recent months numerous examples of abrupt changes of policy by Tony Blair (eg over a referendum on Scottish devolution), actions which disappoint potential supporters of the party (eg Tony Blair's abstention gays in the military) and intolerance of even mildly different views (eg

the demotion of Clare Short). We all want unity in the party, but not at the price of ditching every radical and democratic idea the party has ever stood for.

I well remember the days when some Labour MPs felt forced to speak out against actions taken by Harold Wilson (support for the Americans in Vietnam) and James Callaghan (cuts in public services dictated by the IMF). Is there anyone today who would seriously argue that those MPs should have kept quiet in the interests of party unity? DAVID WHITE

Sir: I am, or was, one of the millions desperate for a Labour government referred to in Paul Richards's letter

The treatment of Clare Short, the strong-arm whipping of alternative views, the imposition of conformity, the denigration by rumour of those out of favour of the leadership and the concentration on presentation and PR rather than debate leads me. for one, to begin to doubt what kind of Labour government we will have.

The continued support of the millions has to be retained and the Labour Party acts at its peril if it thinks it can just safely rely on it; even desperation has its limits.
DANIEL IAYNES Newcastle upon Tyne

King of the Danes Sir: Just a small, but to Danes very

important, correction to your imteresting article "The burden of perfection" (23 July), about Bertel Thorvaldsen. King Ferdinand VII would be completely unknown in Denmark, but King Frederik VII, the King of the People, with the motto "The People's Love - my Strength", was probably the most influential and popular of Danish kings, presiding over the establishment of a democratic constitution, as mentioned in your article. He was also a keen amateur archaeologist and is most often pictured out and about visiting the country wearing a red fez and with a long meerschaum pipe. BIRITHE KING London N3

Seconds out

Sir: Time has run out for Charles Arthur ("A short history of brief time", 30 July), for a femtosecond is a thousand million millionth of a second and he must be disqualified for being 999 femtoseconds late! The time he talks of is that prolonged passage, the picosecond, DEREK ROBINSON Head, Physical Sciences & Engineering, Science Museum London SW7

This building has drawn many admirers - too many, says the owner, who has now banned visitors. What does this tell us about attitudes to architecture?

in Chessington, Surrey, there is now a shining hullding which many consider to be a work of art. Art or not, the new Citizens' Advice Bureau, a cube of seamless lines, bold colours and glorious light, and just a few months old, has become a testament to the perennial British failure to appreciate medern architecture.

At least, that's the view of the woman who designed it, Gabriete Bramante, a German-born architect, who fought tooth and nail for every last penny of the £330,000 it took to build. Despite winning accolades

By Rebecca Fowler

from the Civic Trust and the BBC (it was viewers' choice in the architecture section of the recent BBC Design Awards), the Citizens' Advice Bureau says it is tired of visitors coming to look at it and won't allow its entry into a further awards scheme. Bramante feels that the committee of volunteers who run the bureau would have preferred a Portakabin, rather than what, by any standards, is a rather beautiful – and clearly popular – building.

from the Royal Institute of British Architecture to be given a half-hour viewing for a further round of awards. the enmmittee said enough is enough. The time has come, they insisted, for the work of art to be an advice bureau again, a place for working in and not for looking round.

Architectural students have wandered through the doors in droves. and the curious have dropped in to first major building) says she is walk across the York stone floors astonished by the treatment meted

there was and run their hands along the fine sandstone and beech fittings. It has got to the point where one exasperated official snapped at Bramante,

saying, "I'm fed up of people telling me how good this building is." For those who appreciate good new architecture, the Chessington CAB is cause for celebration. Why shouldn't an architect bring some pizzazz to a dull English horizon? Nothing is too good for ordinary people," said Berthold Lubetkin, the pioneering British Modernist who designed the bugely influential Finsbury Health Centre in central London. (This huilding, 60 years on, still serves its original purpose and has an enthusiastic staff who, whenever convenient, happily allow a regular flow of visitors to look around.)

Bramante says she has taken Lubetkin's dictum to heart. Clearly, however, sometimes a building can be too good for ordinary people.

"They just don't understand what they've got," says Bramante. "They want it to go back to what it was. They wanted a Portakabia, not a building, not beautiful architecture, It's tragic. We assumed they would enjoy this building. It's too good for them. They have no respect for it."

Among Bramante's concerns is the way her client is treating the bureau. "They fitted a brass letter box," she sighs. They are putting in blinds from John Lewis because they can get a 20 per cent discount. instead of blinds designed for the building, and they have filled it with loose furniture, even though it bas

try, but it is no good unless somebody

has the courage to give an architect

the freedom to express that talent."

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many years. The extent of the divide

between those whose instinct is to

stick with the safety of the past and

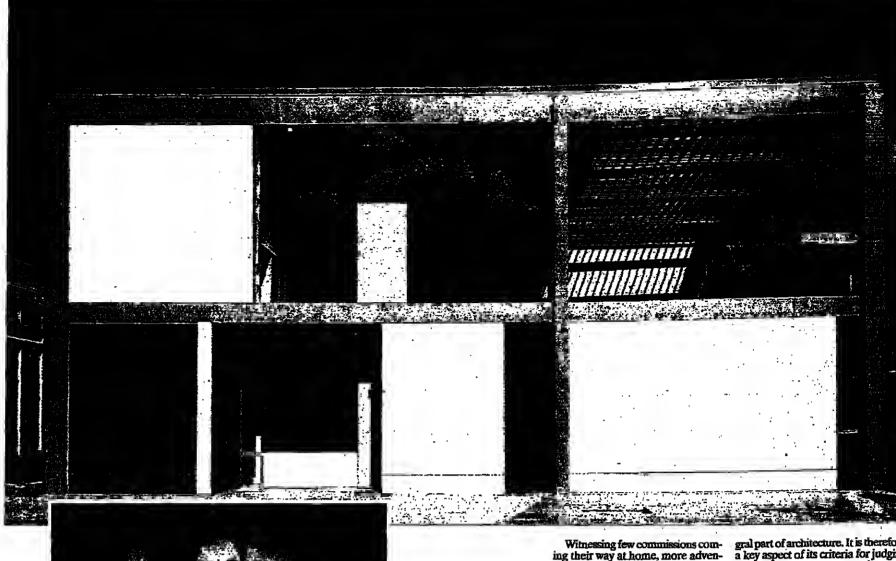
those who want to move forward was

crystallised by the Prince of Wales,

the self-appointed guardian of true British architecture. His "carbun-

Attitudes to modern architecture

specially designed fitted furniture." It is an old story and one that gencrations of architects have learnt to tell Even so, Bramante (this is her



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out to modern architecture. "We cle" speech criticising a design for the an architect make - at least, not offimore than a decade ago summed up the constinuted mood of caution in architecture, celebrated by his own Institute for Architecture, in Regent's Park, London, set up to train architects along traditional lines. Since then, however, the Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA) has refused to recognise the standing of the institute's qualifications, which means that study with the Prince's

the more complicated because over the past year, the Prince of Wales has invited at least two firms of very modem architects - radical, in the case of Branson Coates Architecture - to work with him. Even so, those who hang on to the Prince's coat-tails, while mouthing platitudes in recent months about how it is possible to have a good modern building, prefer all things old and crumbly when favourite gurus and teachers does not expressing their views privately.

ing their way at home, more adventurous British architects claim that our visual culture has long heen frozen in the past. Those who have moved with the times are being pushed overseas by an army of nosalgic fundamentalists to countries such as Japan, Spain and Germany, where there is plenty of work and modern architecture is liked as much as traditional design.
They include David Chipperfield,

designer of the recently opened boat bouse at Henley-on-Thames, who receives 80 per cent of his com-missions abroad, and who is despair-ing at the attitudes in Britain. "We seem to take a perverse enjoyment of things not happening," he says, "unlike France or Spain and other European countries. They see their glorious days in front of them, whereas we think our glorious days are behind us. Anything that erodes our Victorian past is somehow destabilising. Whereas Germany wants to build for the future, and is robustly modern, and Spain has recovered from Franco and wants to build a new society, we've wanted to switch off. The daft thing is that cities are being eroded by planning legislation that allows Tesco's and Sainsbury's to go up all over the place, but resists projects like the Cardiff Bay Opera ones instead of the bad ones.

Back in Chessington, the RIBA has been cautious over its role in the saga. Rather than leap to Bramante's defence, it anxiously points out that she is not a fully qualified architect, and it is concerned over claims that there have been practical problems with the building. According to the RIBA, the relationship between the client and the designer of the build-ing, in this case volatile, is also an inte-

says: "You've got to respect the fact that it's the CAB's building. The idea you can just go along and judge it for an RIBA award as Ms Bramante would like us to do, but without permission, doesn't make sense. You can't send four people in with bala-clavas to have a look and run away.

It's their building now."

Clearly a building is never just a work of art, unlike a painting or a sculpture. No painting can be accused of being too bot in summer, as the CAB committee has said of Bramante's design. It also says that private conversations in interview rooms can be overheard. Such things can normally be solved - quickly and without rancour - yet if designers and clients cannot even come together to support a small vision of the future in Surrey, what hope is there for the greal adventures in architecture that Britain needs to take it into the next century?

Mark Welling, chairman of the local Citizens' Advice Bureau, says: "The management committee has always said it is delighted with the building. But we have reaffirmed our decision not to go ahead with the award. We have a public service to fulfil, we rely on volunteers, and that is our function. Ms Bramante has never been very good at looking at the needs of the other parties involved."

As the public wanders by and smiles in surprise at a space that has been filled by something out of the ordinary, the small splash of innovation on the Chessington skyline is arguably a public service in its own right. Yet, as the battle continues, it is easy to see why Bramante wonders if she would have been better off building her client a a shed instead.

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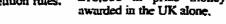
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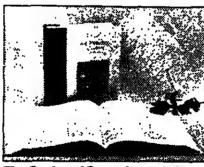
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Once hated, now rated: three modern masterpieces





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Don't wait around - give up 'Today'

I shall be up at the Edin-Tor the next three weeks L burgh Festival, the Atlanta Olympics of the North, contributing to the pandemo-nium by working at the Pleas-ance in a show called "The Death of Tchaikovsky - a Sherlock Hoimes mystery" (advt). I am not going to miss more than a week from the *Independent*, but before I pack my bags, I think I ought to catch up on some unfinished business. In other words, to deal with some interesting readers' letters.

I complained the other day that I couldn't get World Service news on my radio and had to make do with the parochial and inferior Radio 4 Today programme version. I was rapped on the knackles by Mrs Bidwell of County Durham, who says that all I have to do is get a satellite dish. "Tune in the relevant audio frequency on UK Gold. Use gadget on remote control to remove 'picture' telling you to insert card, and get restful green 'picture' and listen to World Service through TV set! "Like you I'm appalled by the arrogant Birt - but get on to satellite and stop grum-bling about reception (until recently we lived in the far north-west of Scotland so we know something about it)...." Well, I wasn't really grum-bling about World Service

bling about World Service reception - I was grumbling about the Today programme. and I am not the only one. A well known writer sends me a card from the Garrick Club: "Bravo! Abont time somebody said how shallow and fatuous the Today programme can be. How DARE the sods try to level the World Service down to that?" I won't mention his name, partly because I haven't asked him if I can quote him, partly because if I refer to him as a well known writer you will all assume that he is even more well known

than he really is. Mr Coker of Wiltshire has an interesting observation. "Another curious point is that in the daily farming pro-gramme on Radio 4 at 0610 the views expressed by farmers,



Miles Kington

agricultural institutes, vets, research workers, etc. invari-ably flatly contradict those on food and farming put out in the Radio 4 news. They also (today, for example, 26 July) reveal items being concealed by the MAFF such as that some 10 per cent of our cartle now have BIV (this is the bovine version of HIV). Yet only one small herd bas been selected for slaughter. The MAFF is keeping the news under wraps, presumably in the hope that there is no potential danger to humans and that, like BSE, it's all a storm in a tea-cup. Let's hope so."

I think the secret of the

listen to Today as they get up. The clue is that Today caters for party politicians and for no one else. Nobody else need listen. It is turning into a game for interviewers and party hacks, a private talking shop, so that, for instance, when you hear an interviewer trying to get a leading Labour man to admit that a lot of pressure was put on some MPs not to stand for shadow office, the interviewer seems totally unaware that it is all of no conceivable interest to anyone

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alive except somebody who works in party politics.

Mr Heckels of Ipswich puts it another way. He says be gave up listening to Today after an interview between Sue MacGregor and Chris Patten before the latter went to Hong Kong. Patten was due to announce some new tax that afternoon in the House, but Ms MacGregor kept on asking him what it would be, although be kept saying be couldn't preannounce it. At the third or fourth time, Patten said: *Look, you were told before

I agreed to come on this programme that I could not divulge the figure in question and yet you have now asked me three times. Good bye." Mr Heckel adds in a PS: "Do you have any idea why, when a constitutional matter arises, Lord St John of Fawsley

is always wheeled out as a 'constitutional expert'? Does he have any academic qualifications to justify this description? I have always thought of him as a failed Tory minister. No, sir, I have no idea why.

Finally, thanks to all those who wrote in and said that there was a slang word for bicycles in living memory, namely in the Fifties when they were often called "gridirons" or "grids". Brian Dowling said that at Cambridge in the Forties they were called "bogwheels" which may have been shortened later to "bogles". And now I must pack my saddlebags, jump on my grid and head up the road to Edinburgh.

Welfare: Clinton's lesson for Blair

While Labour's plans for reform remain unclear, the right may triumph, says Nicholas Timmins

Then the US sneezes. Europe catches a cold. Will this old conomic same and conomic same and sold conomic same economie saw prove true of welfare, as Bill Clinton approves legislation that requires recipieots to find work within two years or lose beoefits, limits families to a lifetime total of five years on benefit and cootains other measures that end Roosevelt's 60-year-old New Deal guarantee of open-ended assistance to the poor? These measures so draconian that the New York Times described them as

"odious" and British welfare groups as "horrendous" and "unbelievable". The answer is both yes and no. There are parallels in both politics and policy in the UK to what is happening in the US. But there are big differences too. Perhaps the most important parallel is the political. These measures -Republican right-wing measures have been approved by a Democratic president who was elected in 1992 on a promise to "end welfare as we know it⁴. Until yesterday, however, through a complex mixture of politics and practicality, he had failed to deliver. As a result, he has found himself trapped

in a largely right-wing agenda.

yet, it is poorly specified. But a central message from Blair - as it was for Clinton - is that only Labour can be trusted to reform the welfare state. Given the inevitable spending pressures he will face, it is a promise on which he will be required, at least in some measure, to deliver.

The parallels, however, should not be overdrawn. In the US, the federal (or national) programme, which Clinton is cutting, sets the framework (or safety-net minimum) for means-tested welfare and provides the cash for it. It is the individual states that deliver. And they have considerable discretion. both to be more generous - and some are - as well as to seek waivers from the programme to be more mean, or more imaginative, in how they use the cash. Yesterday's package includes greater powers for states to experiment, setting their own conditions on benefit, introducing more discretion, allowing yet greater variation in a system that already displays far greater variation than the UK

Some of that is beginning to happen Meanwhile, in the UK, we have a here. Benefit is already being made Labour leader heading on current more conditional - witness the new

due in October. Witness also Gordon Brown's insistence for Labour that his jobs and training package for the young will not include the right to refuse to take part and still receive full benefit. Across the party divide - and across the left-right divide within the main parties there is greater interest in forms of workfare, experiments that would offer,

In the UK, threatening to cut people off without a penny is not on the agenda

perhaps eventually require, work in return for benefits plus a bit.

Equally, more discretion is slowly creeping into a system that, since the early 1980s, has been heavily rulesbased. And, finally, there will be more experiments in social security, and possibly more local variation. Peter Lilley, the Secretary of State for Social Security, has taken powers to allow both

shortly launch the pilots of Earnings Top-up, a form of family credit for the childless. These are powers a Labour government too would use.

These limited parallels, however, do not mean that time-limited benefits of the sort Clinton has agreed to are on the way to the UK. For, asylum seekers aside, threatening to cut people off with-out a penny is not on the agenda for even the most radical of the free-market think-tanks. As Masden Pine, the director of the Adam Smith Institute, put it yesterday, "I don't think that's a goer here; people wouldn't stand for it." But there is another potential parallel. Clinton's agreement to essentially Republican proposals radically to

limit benefits has arisen because his own proposals for welfare reform failed to materialise. And something similar could yet happen to Labour in office. For Labour's own plans for welfare reform as yet remain unclear. Its big ideas include an intention to reduce means-testing, a desire to fully fund pensions, a real wish to get people off welfare and into work, and a toying with Frank Field's radical ideas for hugely increasing spending on social

security via compulsory contributions to oew forms of insurance through friendly and mutual societies.

Much of this would indeed be bold, and quite probably boldly expensive. If it fails to materialise, Tony Blair will not of course find himself in exactly Clinton's positioo – a Democratic Prime Minister, so in speak, having to accommodate a Republican House of Commons. British politics does not work like that. But if Labour fails to deliver on its agenda it will mean the ideas that will have triumphed in welfare state reform will be those of the right - which would almost certainly mean more steps down the road that

Clinton has now agreed to tread. Blair will either be left running broadly with the tide that Peter Lilley has set flowing – a cut and squeeze approach to social security spending. or, worse from his point of view, he might find himself faced by a populist Tory party led by a Portillo or a Redwood advocating yet more of the Republican agenda. Faced with that and no deliverable alternative of his own, Blair could find himself, Clintonlike, having to adopt more of these new Conservatives' clothes. He might have to. And after all, he's done it before.

BOOK REVIEW

Memories are made of this

White Gloves: How We Create Ourselves Through Memory

John Kotre

Simon & Schuster, £15.99

remembered and what forgotten is a key one in our society. Did Michael Portillo's or John Major's office "forget" the anniversary of the Somme? Are people who say they were sexually ahused as ehildren remembering real events, or misinterpreting others? Are eyewitnesses who give different descriptions of the same event lying? If we were all blessed with perfect memories, some say, we could know for

Others contend that we remember everything perfectly: it's all "in there", and the only problem is getting it out. This camp tends to cootain strong believers in the idea of "recovered memories", where adults' repressed recollections of horrific events in childhood can be pulled back to the surface intact.

But as John Kotre points out, in this beautifully guided tour through the landscape of our minds, we all forget. We have to: a perfect memory would be a curse. He cites the case of a young Russian oewspaper reporter called Shereshevskii. who could retain lists of words, and recall them perfectly forwards and backwards, for years. But he could oot forget anything, and so those lists sat in his mind, cluttering it; and he could not form abstractions from the groups of objects: everything was discrete, sepa-rate. "By the end of his life, all he could do was travel from town to town demonstrating his peculiar talent for memorising

lists of words," writes Kotre. So we have to forget some things, to be able to remember others. He explains how, as children learn language, they develop "scripts" for their days. This helps them know what to expect (and hence overlook, for the purposes of memory). Any parent will know that a child accustomed to an evening routine of dinner-bath-bedtime

dinner will not come. But as also becomes clear. scripts are vital to forming our personalities, and we misremember events in order to make them fit our self-perceptioo. How many times have you heard people say things about their youth like "I was always picked last for sports" or "My father oever gave me any

encouragement"? Always? Never? Such absolute terms cannot be true. But similar misrepresentations of the past, and the present ("The boss never natices me") inform our personalities and guide our decisions. Memory has to be fallible to work. Thus "recovered" childhood memories of sexual abuse may he wrong hut may be correct, too. There

is simply no hard and fast rule. Thankfully, Kotre - professor of psychology at the University of Michigan-Dearborn keeps his writing jargon-free, producing something like a user's guide to memory. But he has another purpose: the book is his tribute to his father, who has Alzheimer's disease, and so has no coherent memory from day to day of his son, his wife, his family, himself.

He gives us a mirror to gaze at our own lives

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The personal touches that are sprinkled through the book could have turned into episodes of pure schmaltz, but Kotre has a sure, gentle touch. He recalls days spent fishing together, he recalls the com-pany softball game where his father wowed the crowd. Kotre recalls all the details - but then admits he is unsure if they are correct. Bot oo matter: the anecdote has dooe its work, of fixing his father's life in his

Kotre clearly has a mission to purge himself of guilt about neglecting his father, in favour of his own career. (The "white gloves" of the title recall how his grandfather had to abandon becoming a professional clarinet player; he wore the gloves to play). But while fulfilling that end, he provides us with a mirbecomes enormously upset if for in which we also gaze at our given a hath before dinner. It own relationship with our pardoesn't fit the script they fear ents and our lives. What is your own earliest memory? What is the earliest memory more complex versions of such that you think best defines your personality? Which best defines your relationship with your par-

CHARLES ARTHUR

ents? Rotre throws the ques-

tions up to help to comprehend

the process of memory. But in

doing that, he helps us to begin

to understand ourselves.

The British vote with their chequebooks when they rush to buy new-reg cars in August What drives the Prush?



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omething like half a million people in Britain are voting this month - statistically 7,500 will be readers of this newspaper - by exercising their democratic choice to buy a new P-reg car. However meaningless it might seem to have the letter P on the number-plate instead of an N, the fact remains that very large oumbers of persocal car buyers get their cars in August. They are oot doing so because they are told to; they are doing so because they want to. It is a gigantic exercise in practical democracy, with people signing their names on cheques or loan agreements rather than putting an X on a ballot slip.

To see what it felt like vesterday I visited to our local Ford dealer, Highbury Ford, the largest in central London. They had been there at 9pm the night before when our dog got his evening walk and they were back again by 8am when he got his morning one. By the eod of the day the six sales staff will have cleared about 150 cars. Another 60 had been driven on trade plates to their new owner's driveways in the previous couple of days, so upwards of 200 cars from this dealer, out of a total of about 1,000 sold to private customers each year, will have had their first formal outing yesterday. More, of course, will be sold during the rest of the month.

Who wants a P-reg car on I August? The young and quite rich, wanting to display their wealth? Doubtless the marketing departments of the manufacturers have their profiles of the typical I August purchasers, but the impression of Linda Wise, sales executive at Highbury Ford, was that there was nothing flashy about the people who took delivery yesterday. It seemed to be mostly older people, 50-plus, and it was the Fiestas and the Escorts that were going out pronto. The peo-ple who bought the Scorpios or Probes were quite happy to take delivery later in the month - they were not fussed which day they arrived.

So maybe getting a P-reg car on I August is like the National Lottery: one of those demonstrations of ordinary human behaviour the chattering classes find hard to understand. As a cross-check I called in at the showrooms of Jack Barclay, in Berkeley Square, where they sell 20 per cent of the Rolls-Royces and Bentleys in the UK. Despite the fact that I was unlikely to shell out £150,000 on a "pre-owned" Bentley, I was greeted with just

as much courtesy as at Highbury. It has so far been a good year for Rolls and Bentley, with sales in the first six months up 26 per cent, but there was less of a hubbub. At this level, the P busioess is a non-event. That is partly because Jack Barclay prides itself on preparing pre-owned cars so beautifully that many customers mistake them for new. So the two unregistered, glistening and seemingly new Bentley Continentals in the showroom were actually second-hand. It is partly because people rich enough to buy a Rolls or a Bentley are not wildly impressed by a P-reg anyway. But it is mostly because these people already have their own reg-



What's in a P? Haif a million people will buy a new car in August, when the registration letter changes

elay's marketing manager, explained to me, two of the three cars waiting to go out would do so on "cherished" oumber plates.

What a wonderfully flexible, expressive language English is. Not "personal", certainly not "personalised", hut "cherished". And that is really the right word to describe not just personal

istrations anyway. As Lynette Gridley, Jack Bar-elay's marketing manager, explained to me, two on. Labour has floated the idea of some kind of differential car tax, designed to penalise gas-guzzlers, though the Tory decision each year to increase tax on petrol by 5 per cent more than inflation may prove a simpler and more effec-tive way of achieving the same end.

But this overt hostility towards the car - how-The car issue is dangerous for Labour: to be branded

anti-car is analogous to being branded high-tax

number plates but the whole P registration phenomenon. For many people the car is oot just another boring consumer durable: it is valued, it is enjoyed, it is eherished.

Politicians would do well to remember this. It has long been fashionable among the pros-perous left to belittle the motor-car. In the 1960s the Guardian took this attitude to its logical conclusion by appointing a motoring correspondent who couldn't drive. But recently the latent hostility has sprouted a series of suggestions designed to curb car use: motorway tolls, a levy oo cars entering city centres, taxation on employee-parking provided at the workplace,

ever fashionable - is politically dangerous. There are powerful arguments for curbing pollution by improving and enforcing emission controls, though diesel buses and taxis are a more obvious source of pollution in many city centres than private cars. There are even more powerful arguments for any measures that improve road safety, in particular the safety of pedestrians and cyclists. But that is common sense. Having transport min-isters (or indeed shadow transport ministers, for this is more of a problem for Labour than for the Tories) who are multively opposed to the principal means of transport is a bit like having motoring correspondents who don't drive. You are oot

understanding what ordinary people want. This is going to become more of an issue as the election looms. Like tax, it is dangerous for Labour, to be branded as anti-car is analogous to being branded high-tax: both are issues where the British talent for hypocrisy is evident. People say they would like curbs on the use of private cars and greater subsidies for public transport, just as they say they would pay higher taxes to support better public services. But when people vote on tax at an election, or vote with their chequebooks

on I August, they do something different. Meanwhile we need to crack the ludicrous inefficiency of the 1 August rush without spoil-ing the fur. Various ideas are being considered, with the short-term remedy of changing the year letter more frequently, say every three months I have a suggestion, inspired by my visit to Jack Barclay. It is that everyone should have a cher-ished number plate. Instead of having to bid for numbers like P155 OFF (actually, I gather that one was banned on grounds of taste), we would simply choose one when we get our first driving licence and then keep it for life. It would be the ultimate in democracy, everyone a winner. What is more, it would be easier to remember it when stopped by the police.

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Just enjoy it, son, but watch that right foot

whether to take it as a complimeot. Or an insult.

I gather that your former communications lady, Joy Johnson, has told you to elbow what she calls "the elaborate and obscure" language you use. And instead, appareotly, you're to model yourself on me.

Well, stranger things have happened. As anyone who tuned into a spot of Olympic beach volleyball will tell you. You wouldn't see that at Blackpool - and certainly not at the

Labour party conference. Anyway. New Labour's language should pass the Des Lynam test. That's what Miss Johnson says, in the New

You have to be able to "generate excitement, unity and ambition", she Statesman this week.

Tony Blair has been advised to model his language on sports presenter Des Lynam. Paul Vallely imagines Des's analysis

says. "And yet be capable of reacting to disappointment without despair." Well, you certainly get used to that when Brighton is your team, as mine guage. It's tactics too.

Seriously, though, she's got a point. I mean, just look at your speech to the last Labour conference. All that stuff about Britain as a "Young Country". It might have conjured up a mystical new Jerusalem to you, but it sounded like a cowboy film to me.

Theo there was your pamphlet New Labour, New Life for Britain - sounded more like a long-term prison sentence.

And "The Stakeholder Economy

has a Stakeholder Welfare System". says I'm over-exposed? Be more laid-Anyway, it's not just about lan-

I see you were down in the polls yesterday. Your personal approval rating has fallen to its lowest level since you became leader. A bit too much ruthlessness with the right foot, if you ask

Tell you what. Don't thrust yourself forward so much. Look at me. Lead sports anchorman. Hardly off our screens - Grand National, Euro 96, Wimbledon and now a formight of peaktime Olympic coverage. But who

back, son. Let the others into the

Like that John Prescott. He's a bit good. But don't leave him out ou his own so much. Bring him into the double act - like I do with Jimmy

Great straight man, Prescott. Blunt Northern accent and all that. Perfect fall-guy for the old one-two. Like when Jimmy and me were talking about the 1966 World Cup final. And he said: "I was employed even then by the BBCthough in a very minor capacity of course." I was straight back. "You're

still in a minor capacity, Jimmy." And another thing, Tone, when it comes to the election. Don't make in too daunting. Nooe of that stuff you did at the Fabian Society on "Socialism ... based on a moral assertion that individuals are interdependent, that they owe duties to one another as well as themselves, that the good society backs up the efforts of the individuals

within it ... Team play, that's what you're talking about, son. Team play. So just say

Then just tell them: "Glad you've tuned in. You've probably heard there's a general election oo tonight. Why doo't you just sit hack and

enjoy it"

Then, when it's over, you can come out from behind the sofa.



BUSINESS NEWS DESK: te! 0171-293 2636 fax 0171-293 2098 Hinchliffe 'unfit to be director', court told

MARTIN EMMERSON and NIGEL COPE

Court proceedings that could sec former Facia chairman Stephen Hinchliffe banned from acting as a director for up to 15 years, began in Newcastle vesterday with the DTI claiming that both Mr Hinchliffe and former Facia finance director Christopher Harrison had breached their fiduciary duties, squandered money and put the interests of their own

private companies first. They were "unfit to be directors of a company", the DTI said.

The DTI action relates to their involvement with Boxgrey, which collapsed into liquidation with debts of £5m in 1994. Boxgrey was the renamed company which used to own En-Tout-Cas, a manufacturer of all-weather tennis

At the preliminary hearing at Newcastle District Registry, Jonathan Holmes, for the DTI,

said the two men had trans-ferred money from En-Tout-Cas to other organisations in which they had interests, then failed to repay the cash when the firm

started to struggle. He also said they squandered money with the purchase of new offices al a time when En-Tout-Cas was suffering financial hardships. It would have been better for them to continue renting their existing head office instead of investing in new premises, he said.

Mr Holmes added: "They acted only in the interests of the Chase companies [in which both were involved and through them to the personal in-terests of Mr Hinchliffe." These actions were to the detriment of En-Tout-Cas, its creditors, employees and in breach of their fiduciary duty, he added. "It is our application that the respondenis are unfit to be

directors of a company."

Mr Hinchliffe and Mr Harrison have until 24 October to

reply to the application. Neither ing the was present in court for the be set. hour-long hearing.

District Judge Ward, who presided over the session, said that because the case was so complex he would be inviting the Vice-Chancellor, Jonathan Parkin, to hear it, probably early next year.

Once the two former directors have handed over all of their evidence the DTI will have until 16 January to review the material. A date for hear-

Both men will "vigorously de-fend" the application which could see them banned from being directors of companies for a minimum of five years.

Mr Hinchliffe claims he sold Boxgrey a month before it collapsed and was not respon-sible for placing it in liquidation. He has said that he is confident the proceedings will be dis-missed and that his name will

Mr Hinchliffe founded Ficia in 1994 and acquired a string of high street names including Freeman Hardy Willis, Saisburys, Conlessa and Sock Shop. The company collapsed into

receivership in June with etimated debts of £30m. Since then, many of the shops have been sold, though someof the shoe stores remain in alministration. The Torq jewelley chain, which Mr Hinchlife acquired for just £1, has no-

found a buyer.

Boeing swoops on \$3.2bn Rockwell in defence merger

DAVID USBORNE New York CHRIS GODSMARK

In a deal that will send tremors through the defence and acrospace industries world-wide. Boeing yesterday bought the bulk of the space and defence units of Rockwell International for \$3.2bn (£2bn).

The move is likely to increase pressure for a further restructuring of the European defence industry, including the long-discussed possibility of a merger between GEC and British Aerospace,

The surprise agreement marks a significant new phase in the continuing consolidation of the North American defence industry. It also promises to put Boeing, based in Seattle, on the path to be-coming the world's dominant

aerospace and defence giant.
Bocing makes the B-2 bomber, the Chinook military helicopter. Awacs early-warning aircraft and the F22 fighter, while Rockwell is hest known for its contributions to the US space programmes, from Apollo to the current fleet shuttles orbiters, for which it makes the main engines.

Boeing will acquire the Rocktion of slock and a pledge to take on outstanding debt and other burdens, including pension obligations.

Boeing president, Phil Con-dit, said: "This merger accelerates us on our way to achieving our 20-year vision, which calls for Boeing to be a fully intergrated aerospace company designing, producing and sup-porting commercial airplanes, defence systems, and defence and civil space systems.

Other holdings covered by the deal include Rockwell's missiles divisions and a unit that produced and supports the B1

in shedding these interests. Rockwell plans to complete a long-term shift towards pure electronics, computer modems and factory automation equipment. The new, slimmer company will retain the Rockwell name, while those holdings transferred to Boeing will become Boeing North American.

Wall Street welcomed the deal, and both stocks rose sharply in early trading yesterday. "It is a good move for both," remarked Phil Orlando of Value Line Asset Manage-

The deal, meanwhile, is only the latest shake-up in the US defence community as it reacts to smaller military procurement budgets reflecting the passing of the Cold War. It follows the combination of Lockheed and Martin Marietta to create Lockheed Martin last year and the formation also through a merg-

er of Northrop Grumman. McDonnell Douglas meanwhile is believed to be in talks combination of their defence

"This is what was forecast when the Berlin Wall fell," said Douglas Myers, vice-president of Interstate Johnson Lane. When you get consolidation. you get the economies of scale and you get an oligopoly-type Department of Defense has to choose from half-a-dozen contractors, which is pretty good for the owners of these stocks".

For European defence contractors, the tie-up comes as another graphic reminder of the consolidation taking place in the defence industry. The French government has already announced a root-and-branch rationalisation to compete with America. For the UK, the Boeing deal will raise further questions about the potential for closer co-operation between GEC and British Aerospace.

BAe dampened speculation of a merger between the two companies earlier this year, but with former BAe-man George Simpson about to take the belm at GEC, some kind of link-up is bound to be high on the strategic agenda.

Mr Simpson has said little about his intentions for GEC, but he will be sitting on a cash pile of more than £2bn.

The French move appears to have reduced the chances of GEC teaming up with Thom-son-CSF, the state-owned French electronics group. Last year GEC gained con-

trol of Barrow-in-Furness submarine huilder VSEL Bul Mr Simpson knows he is expected to provide a broader long-term

The latest American deal will undergo the usual government scrutiny and will need the approval of Rockwell shareholders at a special meeting in November. Boeing has offered to issue about \$860m of its common stocks and to retain \$2.165bn of Rockwell's debt of pricing structure where the and other obligations.



Ouch! David Potter, chairman of the paintop computer-maker Psion, contemplates the £1.5n in professional fees for its abortive Amstrad bid in otherwise spanking first-half figures. Pre-exceptional profits jumped from £5.1m to £8.0m Investment, page 18

British Gas writ provokes counter action

CHRIS GODSMARK **Business Correspondent**

The latest attempt by British Gas to save "Sid" was on the verge of backfiring last night, as it emerged that oil and gas firms were considering issuing writs against the company in the continuing row over who

should pay the gas levy. British Gas last week stunned the industry by issning a £1hn writ against the Government, claiming it should never have paid some of the levy - a tax on cheap gas con-tracts signed in the early Seventies. In response, the Department of Trade and Industry issued writs against 27 oil and gas companies involved in the contracts to safeguard for

the taxpayer.
In what is fast becoming a complex legal game of "pass the parcel," several of these firms are considering issuing writs against British Gas in an attempl to pass liability back to the company, which started the legal merry-go-round in the first place. The firms are those which

bave a stake in the Hewett gas field off the Norfolk coast. One firm is known to be drawing up a writ, while several others are seriously considering the move. They include Arco, the US company which discovered Hewett in 1966, and which has An Arco spokesman said: We have analysed the contract and we are considering all our options at the moment. One of those options is the possibility that we might be able to recover from British Gas any levy that we may have to pay."

Another large oil and gas producer said: "Our interpre-

tation is clearly that British Gas's arguments don't stack up If they sue the DTI and the DTI sues us, then we will sue British

Asked about the development yesterday evening. British Gas said: "We are unaware & any hasis on which a claim might be made."

British Gas has claimed the contracts in question have been altered so many times over the years that they no longer have

Lasmo, the oil production and exploration company, revealed ambitions predictions for its recently discovered Algerian oil fields yesterday. Announcing a 24 per cent increase in halfyearly operating profits to £103m, Lasmo said its share of the Algerian fields should reach 30,000 barrels of oil per day by the year 2000, equivalent to 15 per cent of its current output.

The company secured its first licence from the Algerian government last month and will have 12.5 per cent of the six fields when production come. on stream from 1998.

legal validity. The legislation for the gas levy, which is worth Ip a therm on hills, states that if British Gas is not liable, the original producer of the gas should pay instead.

None of the writs have been served yet, and British Gas has with the DTI. A spokeswoman for the company explained: We expect to be in discussion with the DTI on ways to take this dispute forward without it having to be placed formally before the courts.

However, the DTI said yesterday: "No discussions are taking place, none are planned."

Economy: Low inflation, higher output and increased confidence lift hopes on both sides of the Atlantic

House price rise gathers pace Clinton hails surge of

DIANE COYLE Economics Editor

House prices are growing at their fastest rate since 1989, according to new figures from Halifax Building Society. Nationwide is expected to report a further increase in its house price index today. The latest sign that the hous-

ing market is coming back to life was accompanied by other surveys showing higher output and orders in industry, lower inflation and the return of consumer confidence to late-1980s levels. But against the kind of eco-

nomic dream ticket on which the Government's hopes of reelection rest, the Labour Party attacked it for its long-term neglect of manufacturing industry. It published a report showing the number of jobs in manu-facturing had fallen to below 4 million from 7 million in 1979. A separate report from the Construction Industry Em-

more than 30,000 construction

OUTPUT PRICE INFLATION 16 Months annualised gain.

jobs will be lost this year. although it said the industry's output would start to grow again next year.

According to Halifax, house prices last month were 5.3 per cent higher than a year earlier. the fastest annual increase since the tail-end of the housing boom and up from 4 per cent

in June. The average cost of a prop-

per cent dip between May and June. Nationwide is expected to report similar monthly increase. Halifax is sticking to its pre-diction that house prices will climb 5 per cent during 1996 as

The housing market recovery is going hand in hand with a revival of consumer confidence according to a survey published by consultancy Business Strateployers Council predicted that crty rose 0.5 per cent between gies. Consumers are more con-more than 30,000 construction—June and July, following a 0.4—fident about the state of the in the consumer sector.

economy than at any time since 1988, it reported.

However, Business Strategies director David Fell said a return to the boom conditions of the late 1980s was unlikely. The consumer will be the mainstay of economic growth in the short term but we do not expect to see un explosion of demand."

Strengthening consumer demand helped manufacturing pick up for the second month running, according to the monthly survey of purchasing managers by the Chartered Institute of Purchasing and Supply. Higher output and a hig jump in new orders raised the activity index for the second month running, while the sur-vey pointed to a slight fall in the

workforce. Yet prices paid for materials by manufacturers fell to a new low, signalling further declines of 1995. in inflation at the factory gate and ultimately on the high street. The prices paid on balance fell particularly sharply

4.2% in US growth

CURRENCIES

DAVID USBORNE

There was instant celebration at the White House as fresh indicators released vesterday showed a stronger-than-expected 4.2 per cent economic growth rate in the US in the second quarter, the fastest

pace in two years.

The figures were welcome news for President Bill Clinton in election year. "This is good news for America," Mr Clinton declared at a Washington press

They compare with the relatively feeble 2 per cent rate of growth in GDP in the first quarter and the positively anaemic 0.3 per cent performance in the last three months

Stephen Roach, chief economist at Morgan Stanley, com-mented: "The hig question is whether the economy is growing too fast to keep a lid on inflation diving.

and whether it forces the hand of the Federal Reserve. But any worries in the markets about a return of inflationary pressures, which would trigger higher interest rates, were tempered in the meantime by the monthly survey from the

National Association of Pur-

chasing Management showing an unexpected slowdown in manufacturing growth in July.
The NAPM report encouraged the view that the economy remains under control and that the Fed would therefore hold back from raising interest rates after its policy meeting on 20 August. In morning trading, the Dow Jones Industrial Average was up by almost 50

Traders will look closely for further clues in July employment figures due to be released

Previous months' jobs surges have sent bond and share prices



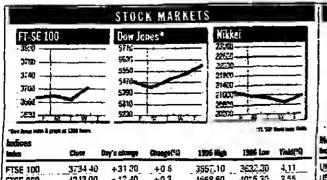
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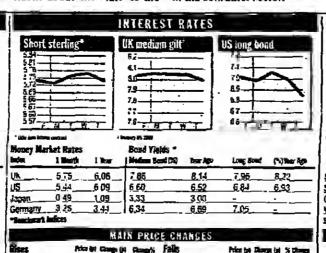
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The Government is squarely in the dock for the indecent haste with which it sold off the businesses to

meet a nakedly political timetable. Appearing to be a forced seller is rarely a recipe for maximising price'

Porterbrook Three have a laugh at our expense If Steve Martin ever made a sequel to Planes, Trains and Automobiles then the supporting cast would consist of the Porter-brook Three Condition of the Porter-brook Three Cond

brook Three - Sandy Anderson, Ray Cork and Tim Gilbert. Mr Anderson knows about planes because he used to work for a subsidiary of GE Capital, one of the world's higgest jet leasing companies. Mr Cork knows about automobiles because he was once finance director of Swan National Leasing. Now, however, they all know about trains hecause in the Lucky Lotto of life they were chosen to be executive directors of Porterbrook Leasing.

Since yesterday they also know a lot about money. Stagecoach's £476m bid will enable Mr Anderson to trouser £36.25m from his Porterbrook shares. Mr Cork £16.74m and Mr Gilbert £10.7m. In anybody's lingo, that ain't bad money for the six months it has taken to turn Porterbrook from a BR outpost into a subsidiary of Stagecoach by way of a management huyont. It is tempting to say good luck to the Porterbrook Three. After all, didn't they

throw up good jobs and mortgage their homes to take their chances in the high-risk world of private railways? Er, not exactly.

Porterbrook Leasing is in the happy
position of knowing that 80 per cent of its revenues worth some £1.6bn are guaranteed for the next eight to ten years by - and this is the ruh - you and me and every other taxpayer in the land. Alright, but surely they

must have done something for the husiness

the next five years - hardly the big time when revenues are pushing £300m a year anyway and you have the clout that a fleet of 3,500 vehicles and a third of the market for train operating companies under your

Needless to say, Labour is now stoking the boilers of another "fat cat" (fat controller?) controversy for all its worth and the Government is looking dumber by the day for having sold the business on the cheap.

It is not quite all the fault of the Secre-

tary of State for Transport, Sir George Young. Nor is it all a travesty of justice because every employee of Porterbrook, right down to the humblest receptionist, is in the money big time.

In truth, nobody quite realised what gravy trains the rolling stock companies would be until the Japanese bank Nomura took over another of them, Angel Train Contracts, and demonstrated just how cheaply they could be financed by securitising the debt against future revenue streams and then getting a triple A rating.
But the Government is squarely in the

dock for the indecent haste with which it sold off the husinesses to meet a nakedly political timetable. Appearing to be a forced seller is rarely a recipe for maximising price. In the fictional world of *Planes, Trains and*

Automobiles the joke was on Steve Martin.

Playing Frankenstein at Eurotherm

One of the sorriest episodes in British cor-porate governance is about to come to a close with the appointment of a new nonexecutive chairman at Eurotherm. The board may even meet today. That will pave the way for the return of chief executive Class Hultman to the company he is credited with turning around and out of which he stormed a month ago after failing to secure the ex-

ecutive chairman's job.

No one has emerged with any credit from this sad saga. Not the main protagonist Mr Hultman, who has behaved like a petulant two-year-old only to be rewarded with a special treat, nor the institutions who objected in haste and will most likely repent at their leisure, nor the non-executive directors of Eurotherm who have been pushed around to such an extent by all concerned that their role as independent watchdogs lacks all credibility.

The actions of a handful of institutions the Pru, MAM and Schroders - in instigating the call for Mr Hultman's return has made a mockery of the idea that all shareholders are equal. Behind closed doors, and with a steadfast refusal to comment on their motives, they have negotiated the future

drifted in an information vacuum.

The refusal of the institutions to explain their actions probably stems from a rising sense of embarrassment at the hole they had dug themselves into. By overruling the nonexecutives' decision to call Mr Hultman's hluff, calling cap in hand at his Swedish holiday island to ask him to come back, they have played Frankenstein. The monster they have created is a chief executive who will believe, with some justification, that he is untouchable by an emasculated board.

Ultimately, it is they who may rue Mr Hultman's return. He has nothing to gain and everything to lose by coming back to Eurotherm, where only a continuation of the impressive growth of the past five years will be deemed acceptable. It won't be terribly surprising in those circumstances when he finds a job with a better risk/reward profile somewhere else. Who will look silly then?

Ethics mean profits in the long term

If there are riots, it must be Indonesia. British investors seem pretty unconcerned about the dramatic unrest in Jakarta - as unconcerned, in fact, as they have been about Indonesia's authoritarian government and its repressive policies.

British companies lack of interest in the politics of these far-away countries is, in a way, entirely understandable. There are few examples of internal conflict rebounding badly on international investors. Even in South Africa, where international sanctions and lobbying limited corporate activities, the interests of British companies suffered no long-run damage. Outrages like Tiananmen Square have simply been shrugged off by corporations who reason that if they don't

grab the opportunity then someone else will. Yet there is more at stake than the hypocrisy of investing in brutal and undemocratic regimes at the same time as sending top executives off on husiness ethics courses. Consumer boycotts of their prod-ucts at home are admittedly remote and

But the times are a changin'. The jury decision earlier this week to acquit four women who disarmed a British Aerospace jet is one sign. American consumers have started applying pressure to companies like Nike who buy their goods from Indonesian sweatshops. Britain has more at stake, with the second biggest stock of investments in Indonesia after Japan.

More fundamentally, ethical business is, mostly, good business. If the Tiger economies are to join the first division, they will have to change politically. In the long-run there will be political reform in Indonesia. The companies who recognise that, rather than washing their hands of the politics, will be the ones that profit.

Chemicals sector: Fall in demand and rising raw material costs hit performance of big companies, tuming analysts' predictions on their head

Slump cuts Shell profits by £100m

CHRIS GODSMARK Business Correspondent

Collapsing chemicals earnings, the petrol price war and a strengthening pound knocked £100m off Royal Dutch Shell's second quarter profits, the Anglo-Dutch oil giant said yesterday. But the company, which is in the throes of a huge restructuring programme, insistded there was "no cause for

serious concern" Between April and June. Shell's net income fell 8 per cent, to £1.18bn. Taking the first half of the year as a whole, however, earnings rose by 15 per cent, to £2.9bn.

In the latest set of bad results can like this year with its can from the industry, Shell's chem paign to match the lowest price icals' income collapsed by 54 per cent in the second quarter, to £184m. John Jennings, the chairman, admitted that chemicals were "struggling" and that profits from the core chemicals businesses had risen only slightly in recent months. He added. however, that "prudence would call for a view of the second half of the year as simply a repeat of the first half".

The impact of the industrywide crisis in chemicals earnings would have been worse had it not been for the unexpected rise in oil prices.

Shell's targets are hased on a price of \$15 (£10) for a harrel of Brent Crude, but the severe winter in the Northern hemisphere and historically low US stocks of oil briefly pushed prices through the \$20

In the second quarter of the year, Shell's oil sold for an average of \$19.50. As a result, earnings from oil exploration and production jumped by 44 per cent, to \$670bn. The company said the possibility of haqi til coming on stream later this year had largely been discounted by the market.

The petrol price war in the UK continued to take its toll on refining businesses. Admitting the war was still "raging", Mr Jennings said Shell needed to make further cuts in back office costs to compensate for extra money spent on advertising and promotions.

paign to match the lowest price of petrol in a local area. Like most rivals, Shell is selling petrol in Britain at a loss, and joined competitors in predicting a further industry rationalisation, including more closures of rural garages. Mr Jennings said the supermarket petrol outlets had "had a spectacular run" and were "selling petrol at prices which are very, very hard, if not impossible, to match".

Another factor in Shell's drop in second quarter earnings was the strength of sterling. The stronger pound knocked £60m off second quarter income, compared with a gain of £77m in the first quarter.

Summing up the results, Mr Jennings said, "I'm reasonably happy ... but there's still a long way to go before I'll be



Bleak horizon: chemicals have been hit by falling demand in both the US and Europe, damaging company profits Hanson's plans hit by SCM downturn

TOM STEVENSON City Editor

Hanson's demerger plans were dealt another blow yesterday as its chemicals arm warned that prices had weakened at SCM, one of its two main operating

The conglomerate's shares, which have fallen 26 per cent since the announcement of plans to break the group up into four separately quoted compa-nies, closed 4.5p, or 3 per cent,

Chemical prices have fallen 8 per cent in the US and 10 per cent in Europe since December as demand, which traditionally picks up in the Spring, remained weak. SCM is the world's third-largest maker of titanium dioxide, whose main customers are the paper and

paint industries. Analysts cut forecasts for Hanson by up to 2 per cent this year and 4 per cent next after the unexpected news. "It's obviously contrary to what the company has been expecting,"

said Nigel Utley, an analyst at when it is floated off from Han-Greig Middleton. They've been son in October – said: "We've cent by 1998 and by 45 per cent leading us to hope that prices would have firmed up throughout the summer, but that's ob-

viously not been happening." SCM is now delaying by six months plans to add 41,000 tons of capacity by 1998. It is also going to postpone the start-up of a plant in Australia which was planned to open in January 1999.

Bill Landuyt, chief executive of the chemicals business - to be called Millennium Chemicals

got a very disciplined approach at Hanson and if the pricing isn't there now, we're going to adjust our plans accordingly and control that spend."

Analysts now believe SCM will make profits of between £95m and £100m compared with previous estimates of about £120m and last year's £107m.

SCM accounted for about 30 per cent of the division's sales in the first half and about 36 per cent of profits. It had planned

cent by 1998 and by 45 per cent the following year, culminating in the construction of the world's largest titanium dioxide plant in Australia.

Mr Landuyt attempted to play down the significance of the sales decline, hlaming poor weather in both the US and Europe which had led to less demand for paint.

SCM plans to raise prices by per cent in October and helieves the demand is now in place to sustain the increase.

Price dip behind **EVC loss**

EVC International, the higgest maker of PVC in Europe, has crashed into the red and warned its problems are far from over. The company, which is part-owned by ICI and Enichem of Italy, floated on the Amsterdam stock exchange in 1994. It said yesterday that a slump in prices for plastics was principally behind a 7.8m guilders (£3m) first-half loss compared with a 152.7m guilders profit in the same period last year.

Profit margins on PVC were the lowest for a decade, caused by higher prices for the raw material ethylene and lower sell-ing prices. Competition from Eastern European rivals flood-ing western Europe with cheap PVC had also hurt EVC's market share in some countries, Ettore dell'Isola, chairman, said.

"We were confronted with cheap imports from countries such as Romania which offer low quality products. It was our decision not to compete on price and we therefore lost market share in certain countries," he added.

EVC's overall market share, however, remained stable due to gains made in Germany, Mr dell'Isola said.

The second half of the year is, however, traditionally slow and there are no signs of an casing in raw material prices. The company has also suffered production problems due to the severe winter and maintenance shut-downs.

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The news unsettled EVC's shares, which fell 10 per cent immediately after the results were announced to 46.5 guilders before regaining some ground to close 3 per cent down on the day - helped by a 43 per cent boost in the interim dividend to 1

Judicial review bid flawed, says Lloyd's

PETER RODGERS inancial Editor

David Rowland, chairman of Lloyd's yesterday wrote to the Paying Names Action Group insisting that its application for a judicial review of the £3.2bn rescue was flawed and had neglimble chances of success.

He also said Lloyd's was at the limit of our resources", and that there was no prospect of the rescue being topped up by the £100m that Tony Welford, chairman of the group, suggested was

He questioned whether the action group had the mandate it claimed from its 3,000 members, who would be unable to accept the rescue offer if they continued with the litigation.

The toughly worded response came hours after the action group lodged papers at the High Court, taking the first steps towards a judicial review.

There is expected to be a caring early next week at which a judge will be asked for leave

lower at 155.75p.

to proceed to a full hearing.
The group's case is based on the fact that some members who paid their debts benefit less from the rescue plan than those who refused to pay.

John Abramson, of Warner Cranston, solicitors, said one of the remedies the names were seeking was an injunction. Lloyd's sources suggested that if

an injunction were requested, the market would demand the rebels lodge a bond covering the po-tential costs of blocking the res-

cue, which could run into billions. Mr Welford said: "We don't want to bring the house tumbling down - after all, we are the most loyal supporters of Lloyd's,

since we paid out hills. "Our only objective is to make Lloyd's realise they have Financial view page 20

Eurotherm paves way for Hultman's return

TOM STEVENSON

Eurotherm is poised to end its simmering boardroom row with the appointment of a new nonexecutive chairman. An announcement may come as early

The appointment will pave the way for the return of chief executive Claes Hultman, who resigned a month ago after failing to persuade non-executives

to make him executive chairman is understood that Mr Hultman of the electronic components made it clear that there was not

Eurotherm has drifted without a chief executive since Mr Hultman dramatically quit the company on 4 July. Shares in Eurotherm plunged on news of the departure of the Swedish businessman who is credited with a revival in its fortunes after

a slump in profits at the beginning of the 1990s. Although accounts differ, it

made it clear that there was not enough room in the boardroom to accommodate himself, Jack Leonard, founder

and chairman of Eurotherm, and Peter Wade, chief operating officer. When he tried to concentrate too much executive power in his own hands, and the non-executives objected, he

That prompted an unusual intervention by a small group of

institutional investors to have Mr Hultman reinstated. Hiding behind a wall of silence, the institutions and the Eurotherm board have spent the past month attempting to find a candidate acceptable to all parties. It is thought Mr Leonard

will stand down early.

The return of Mr Hultman will hring to a close a sequence of events one analyst said yesterday had made the company the laughing stock of the City.



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Must-do-better Shell is all at sea

Expectations of another record quar-ter's income were cruelly dashed by dister's moome were cruelly dashed by dis-appointing interim figures from Shelt yesterday and the 11p fall to a closing price of 911.5p was entirely justified. Chairman John Jennings's "must do better" gloss on the results was echoed in the City where attention focused on the oil and chemicals giant's profel in the oil and chemicals giant's woeful in-ability to meet even its internal per-

formance targets.
On the face of it, a 15 per cent increase in net income was a presentable first-half result, but within that a sharp fall in second-quarter profits gave a worrying pointer to the future. What really drove the shares down was the £100m fall in net income. £100m fall in net income - 8 per cent - from £1.28bn, to £1.18bn, Earnings per share for Shell Transport, the UK side of the Anglo-Dutch empire, dropped from 14p to 12.9p between

April and June. Again on the face of it, the worst part of the picture was the chemicals business, where profits fell a whopping 54 per cent. But in that, Shell was at least in good company yesterday with the former ICI joint venture EVC and Hanson both complaining about the dire trading conditions afflicting the industry. Chemicals is a highly cyclical husiness and, to an extent, out of the hands of individual company man-

The real problem at Shell lies in the intensely competitive refining and marketing division, the downstream arm that among other things makes and sells the company's petrol. Though half-yearly income rose by 27 per cent to £1hn, the husiness has consistently

failed to match internal targets.

Last November Shell unveiled the "road map", an appropriate title for the corporate gospel of an oil company. It sets targets for return on capital and, as the restructuring continues, the road map has assumed supreme im-portance. It does not make happy read-

For a start, Shell set a headline target of a 12 per cent total return for this year, compared with 10.4 per cent last year. The actual return in the four quarters to June 1996 was just 10.2 per cent. That would be bad enough were the target very demanding. The fact of the matter is that BP, the industry's top performer after a remarkable return to form since the departure of Bob Horton four years ago, manages to achieve

Basically, Shell is below the industry average across the board. But the real crunch is in refining and marketing, where against a target of 15 per cent the current actual performance is a return of just 9 per cent. The com-

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doing something about it. It still has some of the highest quality assets in the business, but it is by no means clear that the company is changing fast enough.

Psion looks organised

The mistake most people make about Psion is to focus on its current product portfolio and think that the company is simply a hardware manufacturer, albeit of a successful fast-growing product, the Series 3A palmtop

It is actually a highly skilled writer of software, better placed than anyone to capitalise on the rapid convergence of telecommunications and computing, thanks to its ability to compress powerful applications into pocket-size boxes. That is where the value of the company lies - not in what it does, hut what it might do in five

It is no surprise that mobile phone

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Earnings by activity (Ebri)

(Royal Dutch Shell)

massive outperformer since the market cottoned on to the potential at the end of 1992 and it would take a determined optimist to see much shortterm value in the shares at yesterday's pany is aware of the problem and is giants such as Nokia and Eriesson are close of 400p, up 9p. On forecast profits of £16m this year, the shares trade sniffing around the company. The marriage of their products and Psion's software is the future of consumer on a prospective price/earnings ratio electronics and, having learnt from

Apple's mistakes and expressed its

willingness to license out its operat-ing system to others. Psion has paved

the way for potentially extremely lu-crative joint ventures with the in-

In the meantime, profits from the organisers and their industrial spin-

offs continue to flow, with pre-

exceptional profits up 56 per cent to

£8m (£5.1m) on a 35 per cent rise in

sales to £53.7m in the six months to

Junc. With a pre-tax return on sales of 15 per cent, gross margins of 41 per

cent, a return on equity of 70 per cent

and a £12m cash pile, the company

There are some worries. Progress in the US was a disappointment with profits up only about 13 per cent from

a low base, compared with internal pro-jections of nearer 50 per cent, And the collapse of the Amstrad talks has cast

doubts over strategy. But these should not distract from the big picture.

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Share price (Pence)

Historically, however, looking at Psion in the short term has been the market's, and our, mistake. This is a bet on the future and on Psion's ability to capitalise on it. Earnings ratios rarely make a jot of difference in those circumstances.

Psion's share price has been a

TI sales as good as expected

TI Group has become such a serial out-performer that even a 19 per cent increase in underlying profits in the first half did not budge the share price. That seems a churlish reaction to a company that in 10 years has transformed itself from a Midlands metal basher, with interests spread from Raleigh bicycles to Russell Hobbs kettles, to a global en-

gineer dominant in its main markets.

With margins up, cash flow strong and a healthy order book, TI is in an enviable position. The one fly in the ointment is a somewhat gloomy out-look in Europe, particularly in Ger-many and France. Perhaps this is why the shares were unchanged at 525p. But even this will be compensated for by a US market that looks resilient and growth opportunities in the Far East.

Pre-exceptional profits of £103.7m were struck on sales 4 per cent ahead at £895m in the six months to June, with all three divisions showing organic sales growth of 7 per cent. John Crane, the mechanical seals business, out-performed some patchy markets, particularly in Europe, and increased market share.

The Bundy tubes husiness benefited from better sales to US car and truck manufacturers, which offset a flat European car market, while the omens look most encouraging in the Dowty Aerospace division which makes propeliers and landing gear. With Boeing and Airbus set to almost double their orders in the next four years Dowty will get its share.

With £71m net cash, TI needs to make its balance sheet work harder. Bolt-on acquisitions are promised.

Profits of around £210m in the full year are expected, giving a forward rat-ing of 18. A premium to the market but good value for a quality player.

Insurance advisers tax the shadow chancellor

CITY DIARY

JOHN WILLCOCK

Remember all the fuss shadow chancellor Gordon Brown made recently about accountancy firms offering tax avoidance advice in case Labour get in and increases tax rates? Insurance broker Sedgwick Noble Lowndes is now offering similar advice. It may detonate a similar volcano on

the opposition front benches. Sedgwick has sent an investment newsletter to its clients entitled Planning for the next election. It warns that a new government may target income from trusts "for some anti-avoidance measures".

"The possibility of a Labour government is always good news for those in the offshore fund husiness, the reaction for many investors heing to get their money offshore."

The letter further warns investors to take some common sense actions "now to mitigate any increased burden of taxation in 1997 and beyond" It seems that however far to the right Tony Blair drags his Party, there are still people willing to play the tax card.

City spin-doctors Brunswick has sent me a letter pointing out the vital difference between Sumitomo Bank and Sumitomo Corporation.

"You will be aware of the recent news about the losses incurred by Sumitomo Corporation in their copper trading operation. "There have been a num-

ber of articles in the press recently where, at best, it could have been difficult for a reader to differentiate between the Bank and the Cor-

The administrators trying to sort out the Sunday Business newspaper are now touting it for sale. An ad has been placed in the FT by administrators Royce Peeling Green but nn circulation figures are available at the moment. When Thm Rubython launched the paper over three months ago, he said it needed to sell 150,000 copies to break even. It last announced sales figures a month ago of around 40,000, and

since then, a deathly silence. I'd offer to buy the company for 2.5p myself, but only if it comes without the liabilities.



poration. At worst, articles bave said or implied that Sumitomo Bank was undertaking the copper trading which led to the losses."

Perish the thought. In fact, the Bank and the Corporation were legally separated just after the Second World War. The former grew to be the world's higgest bank by 1994, then fell down the league table as Japanese banks wrote off huge property losses. The Corporation is a commodities trader.

So there you are. The Bank is heavily involved in property and project finance, and has nothing to do with the Corporation. Apart, that is, from a 5 per cent holding.

Congratulations to PR hackette Karen Roberts, née Fry, of Financial Dynamics, who has just returned from her

with the Action Group. No change there, then, The Lime Street insurance market has always been as leaky as a sieve.

honeymoon with hubby Mar-

tin. Mrs Roberts spends much of her time with prop-

himself works for property surveyors Knight Frank

One FD colleague quips: Karen loved her job so

Lloyd's rebel names were in-

censed that their ultra-top secret meeting with Lloyd's chairman David Rowland on

Wednesday was rumbled by

the press. The Paying Names Action Group, which is

threatening to apply for a Ju-dicial Review to overturn the

proposed rescue offer, de-

nancial editor yesterday

exactly who had blabbed.

manded to know from our fi-

The informant was Barry

licitor who is advising Lloyd's

on the rescue plan. He burst

inlo a press conference half-

an-hour late on Wednesday,

apologising profusely. On

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O'Brien, the Freshfields so-

much she married it."

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Canal Plus scraps TV | Channel 5 offers cable

MATHEW HORSMAN Media Editor

Canal Plus has called off its nav-TV joint venture with Berickmann, the German media giant, following weeks of tension and

disagreement. The two insisted yesterday. however, that they would continue to pursue other common projects in the media sector, and that their decision should be seen more as a separation than a divorce.

The move follows a chess game of great complexity among the Continent's main pay-TV hopefuls, particularly in the potentially lucrative Ger-

The seeds of the dispute between Canal Plus, operator of France's digital pay TV net-work, and Bertelsmann date from the German company's announcement earlier this year that it would merge its TV in-

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terests with those of CLT, the Luxembourg-based broadcaster that has established a competing pay-TV service in France.

The situation was further complicated by the swift moves of BSkyB, the UK cable and satellite hroadcaster, which joined a grand alliance made up of Bertelsmann, Canal Plus and Havas early this year, only to dump the group in favour of an equity joint venture with Bertelsmann's chief German rival. the Bayarian mogul Leo Kirch

Since then. Bertelsmann has dropped attempts to develop a competing digital TV platform in Germany, and instead will support a plan to add the Premiere pay-TV channels, in which it has a 37.5 per cent stake, into the Kirch DF-I digital bouquet.

As part of the truce with stake to BSkyB, in a bid to cement the new relationship. If agreed, the deal will see Premiere split among four com-

panies - Kirch, Bertelsmann,

Canal Plus and BSkvB. The digital TV market has expanded rapidly, both in the US and in continental Europe. Kirch and BSkyB launched their German service last weekend, with 17 channels, and plan to add more in the course of the

coming year. Separately, BSkyB has said it would introduce digital television in the UK late next year. and has confirmed it would welcome an equity investment by Kirch.

BSkyB is expected to use its experience with Kirch in the German market to fine-tune plans to launch digital satellite services in the UK. Its initial goal is to offer as many as 200 channels, many of them devot-Kirch, Bertelsmann is also pre-pared to sell half its Premiere channels, many of them devot-ed to pay-per view film and

venture with Germans firms more for retuning

Channel 5 Broadcasting has offered to pay cable operators at least £10 a household to retune video recorders in their franchise areas in advance of the launch of the fifth terrestrial channel next year, writes Mathew Harsman.

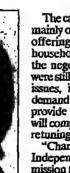
The offer could end the stalemate in negotiations between Channel 5 and several cahle companies, and may allow a hlanket retuning deal for as many as I million cable homes to be announced within weeks.

Channel 5, headed by chief executive Ian Ritchie, had been hoping to convince leading operators to handle the retuning exercise in their respective franchise areas, as part of plans to visit 9.6 millinn homes to prepare receiving equipment for the launch. Millions of VCRs and televisions have to he adjusted to ensure there is no interference when the fifth and final mainstream television



ian Ritchie: Offer could end the stalemate in talks

channel is introduced I January. The retuning project, involving 7,000 engineers and 380 staff at a special call centre, is already known to be severely over the initial budget of £55m, but farming out the work could take some of the pressure off Channel 5's own specially recruited staff.



The cable talks had foundered mainly on price, with Channel 5 offering as little as £2.50 a household. But sources close to the negotiations warned there were still disagreements over key issues, including Channel 5's demand that cable operators provide guarantees that they will complete a given number of retunings by a specified date.

Channel 5 has promised the Independent Television Commission that it will complete the exercise in advance of the launch date," a senior source at a leading cable operator said. "Such undertakings haven't got anything to do with us, and we don't want to be involved in commitments to the ITC."

Under the terms of its licence. Channel 5, owned by Pearson Television, United News & Media and CLT, is required to retune 90 per cent of homes in the reception areas before starting

Yorkshire Electric to buy back shares Yorkshire Electricity, one of sible windfall profit tax levied

ernment.

only five remaining independent regional electricity companies. plans to huy hack 10 per cent of its shares and raise its dividend next year by a third to 52.66p per

The group plans to raise total dividends in the following year, 1997/98, by another 7 per cent. it added at its annual shareholder meeting. The statement senI the shares jumping 26p to

707p. Chris Hampson, chairman, told shareholders that the next stage of the company's programme of delivering value to shareholders was possible hecause of the company's "continuing excellent

performance". He added: "The board intends to keep the issue of further returns of value to shareholders under review." This comes just days after some analysts forecast a fresh shareholder bonanza from util-

ities hoping to pre-empt a pos-

Mr Hampson, who chairs one of only three of the original 12 electricity suppliers not to have received a takeover hid amid a wave of offers for the eash-rich companies, said cus-

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tomer prices were the lowest in the country. Yorkshire Electricity said it was cutting domestic and smallhusiness customers' prices hy

6.8 per cent on average from yesterday.
"Our track record of deliv-

ering increased efficiency, offering the lowest prices for average general domestic cus-tomers and providing excellent returns to our shareholders, underlines our commitment to being among the most successful companies in the sector." Mr Hampson said.

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IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES ACT 1985

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AIB looks for more acquisitions

PETER RODGERS Financial Editor

Allied Irish Banks is planning further acquisitions in the regional US hanking market and is continuing to study purchases in the UK, the group said

Earnon McElroy, general manager of AIB Britain, said the bank had watched the process of high street consolidation closely but, having failed to acquire a huilding society, he felt "the opportunities are slipping in terms of price and attraction". AIB is nevertheless, looking for other UK operations, in-cluding life assurance and fund management, hut "no one should be holding their breath,"

he added. Neil Dean, chief financial officer, said the US was a particularly attractive market with compound growth of 80 per cent since 1983, when AIB pur-

chased First Maryland Bancorp. The Irish bank's US operations vesterday reported half-vear profits 14 per cent higher at Ir£57m (£59m), with group pre-tax profit for the latest half year up by the same percentage to a record Ir£201m.

Mr Dean said: "We will keep economies, underlying business our franchise in the helt from southero Pennsylvania to northern Virginia." Following its success in Maryland, AIB plans to set up strong local banks.

AIB, Ireland's highest capitalised stock market company, said it was optimistic that the second-half results would outstrip last year's.
"We are confident that our

profit performance in the rest of 1996 will exceed that achieved in the second half of 1995. With a favourable economic background in the Irish, UK and US

trends continue to be positive, James Culliton, the chairman

In Ireland, huoyant lending volumes more than compensated for a fall in margins, and the US and capital markets divisions also achieved strong growth, AIB said.

But Mr Culliton warned that lending growth could slow in Ire-land. "We expect continuing strong loan demand although at a lower level than the first half." AIB said the integration of fund manager John Govett was going well.

Mercury was controlled by Warburg until it was taken over by Swiss Bank Corporation, and the fact that the payment is to Mercury rather than SBC arises from agreements made at the time. The acquisition is the biggest so far in the UK cus-

IN BRIEF

 Golden handshakes worth £22.8m were divided among 66 company directors in the last financial year, Labour Research said yesterday. The biggest went to Dr Ernst Mario, the former chief executive of Glaxo, who left in 1993 but was paid until this June, giving him a total of £1.44m. Eleven payoffs were above £500,000 and two were for more than £1m. Six directors shared £1.07m in golden hellos.

• J Sainsbury is to pay Belgian retailer GIB £65m for the 25 per cent of its Homebase DIY chain it does not already own. A £12.5m shareholder loan from GIB to Homebase will be also be repaid. GIB said that following a strategic review, it wanted to sell its interest in Homebase to release funds for investment in its core business in continental Europe. Homebase is currently integrating the Texas Homecare chain acquired from Ladbroke last year.

 All 76 nf the Colorvision television and video shops were closed for stock taking yesterday following the company's collapse into receivership on Wednesday. Receivers Arthur Andersen said some, but not all of the outlets, would be open today. The receivers have received several expressions of interest.

• Don Cruickshank, director general of telecommunications regulator Oftel, is to issue a consultative document on Monday on the construction of a National Numbering Scheme. The scheme is expected to make the charges for premium rate calls less confusing. At the moment premium rate services are scattered over 15 different codes beginning 03, 06, 08 and 09.

• Flying Colours, the new charter airline, has ordered four Rolls Royce powered Boeing 757s for delivery early next year in a £200m deal. The airline, which will be based at Manchester airport, has options on four more 757s for delivery over the next three to four years. Flying Colours will fly holiday makers booked through its associated tour operators Club 18-30 and Sunset Holidays. It will associated total operators while 10-30 and Sunser Frontings, it was also carry passengers booked through the group's ticket-only booking operation. The airline will start recruiting 300 staff in September.

 P&O said that in the year to date it has already achieved agreed property sales of over £180m, of which £130m have either had contracts exchanged or been completed. Nearly half of the sales were in the UK and virtually all were at or above book value. P&O chairman Lord Sterling said the company is a third of the way towards meeting the three year target of £500m of property sales



Custody deal makes RBS world-beater

PETER RODGERS Financial Editor

Royal Bank of Scotland yesterday became the fifth-biggest custodian of shares and bonds in the world after a deal with Mercury Asset Management to set up a new £200m bank that will specialise in handling the assets of fund managers. Mercury will inject £30m of convertible loan stock into the

new operation, called RBS

a 15 per cent stake, if eventually exercised. The equity is 100 per cent owned by Royal.

At the same time Royal is to pay Mercury up to £20m to acquire custodian husinesses to merge into the operation. The additional £80bn of assets to be acquired by Royal includes many of the funds managed by Mercury, Britain's largest fund

management company. These assets will be added to the Royal group's existing Trust Bank, which could give it £170bn under custody, taking

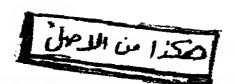
the total it looks after for pension funds, insurance companies and other clients to £250bn Royal said this made it num-

ber two in the UK custody business after Midland Bank, which has about £270hn. The only bigger custodians are State Street, Bank of New York and Bankers Trust of the US. The combined custody oper-

ation will employ about 1,200 people in Edinburgh, London, Jersey and Luxembourg. Although Royal Bank is pay-

ing Mercury "between £5m and £20m" for the custody operation, the husiness it is acquiring is now owned by the Custody and Investor Services Division of SBC Warburg.

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Rate-sensitive banks prove the pick of the blue chips For the second day running investors in the City seized on US

data suggesting interest rates would be left on hold to push equity prices higher.
On Wednesday a weaker-than-expected Chicago purchasing managers' report encouraged optimism about the Federal Reserve's next

meeting in three weeks. Yesterday a US national purchasing managers index showing the economy grew at a "very slow rate" in July boosted bond prices and sent Wall Street over 50 points higher in early trade. The Footsie took its cue and built on early gains to close 31.2 points higher at 3,734.4, just off

the session's high. Banks, seen as the most rate-sensitive sector, were the biggest beneficiaries. Among blue chips, they accounted for four of the top half-dozen best

led the way, adding 20p to 645p on further consideration of its interims results. Dealers spoke of several short positions still being squeezed after the bank spent £450m buying back its own shares at 426p on Tues-

on Monday, Royal Bank of

Scotland, up 12p to 481p on news it is buying SBC War-

burg's custody and investor services division; and Abbey

National, 12.5p higher at 584p.

Bank of Scotland gained 2.5p to 230.5p after BZW com-pletedd the sale of the bank's stake in Standard Life.

Zeneca had another healthy

session, rising 27p to 1418p after announcing it had com-

pleted the sale of its textile

colours business to Germany's BASF. The pharmaceuticals

team at BZW was also said to

Elsewhere in the sector

Also in demand were HSBC Holdings, 27.5p better at 1,091p ahead of interim results

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back 10 per cent of its equity.

Similar hopes also sustained

United Utilities, up 9p at 573p.

Shell dipped 1 lp to 911.5p, after touching a low of 897p, as analysts looked to trun fore-

casts on the back of disap-

pointing second-quarter results in the chemicals division.

But Lasmo recovered to

close 2p firmer at 181p after

falling in early trade on news

of results at the bottom end of

expectations and a warning

that second-half results would

be hit by higher exploration

Hanson was in the dog-

house again, dropping 4.5p to 155.75p after confirming it

was to close a UK chemical

and finance charges.

have made positive noises.

Thorn EMI continued to attract bid speculation with tainment giant Seagram, tipped to go for EMI's music division. The shares rose 25p to 1,778p for a two-day gain of

71p.
J Sainsbury was 6.5p better at 382p after announcing plans to buy the remaining 25 per cent of DIY operation Homebase from GIB Group for

Yorkshire Electricity, up 26p at 707p, joined NatWest and Thames Water on the list of recent converts to the share buy-back craze. It is seeking shareholder approval to buy

More activity on the buses

where FirstBus, the market leader, issued an upbeat trading statement at its annual meeting. The shares motored ahead 23p to 160p. National Express rose in sympathy by 20p to 462 but Stagecoach relinquished 10.5p to 531p after adverse comment about yesterday's £476m acquisition of rolling stock leasing company

Porterbrook. Exhibitions group Blenheim advanced 9p to 434p after confirming it was in bid talks. Reed has replaced United News & Media as its most likely suitor.

Trafficmaster got the green light for a ground-breaking deal to supply 100,000 of its jam-busting driver informa-tion units to Vauxhall. These will be fitted as standard in Vauxhall cars from next month. Trafficmaster's Oracle system

plant and delay expansion works by using radio beacons at every motorway junction and approximately two-mile intervals along the motorway network. Real-time traffic flow information is transmitted directly to the vehicle in which the equipment is installed via the car's own audio system using voice-based technology.

Further orders are expected

later this year. The shares ac-

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celerated 34p to 353p. Renewed US buying gave added spice to Pizza Express. Shares in the restaurant group rose 19p to 418p, just shy of their all-time high, after Janus Capital increased its stake to 17.2 per cent after picking up 977,000 shares.

Shoprite, now little more than a shell company, nudged a ha penny higher at 17.5p. It was forced into a fire sale of its supermarket chain to Kwik Save two years ago, but the once high-flying shares have re-

☐ Bluebird Toys, as high as 386p last year, slipped 9p to 219p amid concerns about current trading. Falling profsales have affected sentiment. though shareholders were told at their annual meeting in May to expect the second half to be "much improved" on the same period last year. Bluebird is replacing its Mighty Max range of toys with Mickey Mouse and Bat-

Shares in AIM-listed biotech tiddler Stanford Rook fell 25p to 323p. There are renewed worries in the City that Phase III trials of SRL172, which may help victims of tuberculosis and is Stanford's only product, may disappoint. Results are due to be released later this year.

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Double trouble is brewing for Lloyd's rescue plan

the strange case of a pair of identical 80-year-old twins, the Vine brothers, has come back to haunt David Rowland, chairman of Lloyd's, just as it seemed the insurance market's nightmare was almost over.

Mr Rowland has admitted on several occasions that the £3.2bu rescue of Lloyd's includes some rough justice, in that it has been im-possible to be fair to everyone, given the time and the money available.

But he maintains that the market is doing the best it possibly can in the circumstances. If the rescue plan is not approved in time for the annual test of solvency by the De-partment of Trade and Industry, due at the end of this mooth, then Lloyd's may have to stop taking new

But is Mr Rowland's best good enough? Peter and Colin Vine believe not only that Lloyd's could do better, by finding more money, but also that the rescue plan has gone beyond unfairness and into the realms of illegality.

They are part of a group of names, as the members are called, which is to apply to a judge early next week fur permission to go to judicial review of Lloyd's "reconstruction and recewal" offer.

The twins are identical in more than looks. They joined the merchant navy together in 1932, they served in Royal Navy minesweepers during the war and in 1964 they both joined Lloyd's, where they were members of the same syndicates.

By 1990, when Lloyd's difficulties were reaching a climax, these syndicates produced ideotical losses

review. There are, according to Tooy Welford, the name who chairs den falls more heavily on the better run and more profitable insurance firms that survived unscathed. the group, some much worse cases, though it is unlikely that any as Agents, brokers and auditors have transparently unfair as this one escaped lightly, paying what looks an extremely modest £430m towards the

On this basis, the paying names have a

strong case for improved treatment

£3.2bn cost.

FINANCIAL VIEW

PETER RODGERS

have done the best they possibly can.

He has been forced into compromise

and arm-twisting at every turn, by the

reality of life in the market. There

is unfairness on both sides of the bal-

ance sheet - among those finding the

money for the rescue as well as those

lawsuits from their clients. The bur-

Of the total, £800m comes from in-

will crop up.

For example, one action group member claims it will cost him £1m to settle the offer but, if he had refused to pay, the bill would have been £400,000.

Lloyd's, by drawing on his outside

came one of the thousands of names

in the awkward squad, whose refusal

to dig into their pockets eventually

Yet, on preliminary estimates,

the rescue offer leaves Peter Vine

£124,000 better off than his brother,

who paid his debts. Together, they have become prime exhibits of the

Paying Names Action Group, the organisation seeking a judicial

forced Lloyd's to find that £3.2bn.

Peter Vine did not pay, and be-

capital to pay his losses.

Much of the financing for the rescue is simply a redistribution of the pain around the market, ultimately to its individual members, rather than Lloyd's is certainly not disputing new funds from outside. the fact that there are some serious anomalies in the rescue proposals. of which discrimination against the

surers who covered Lloyd's agents against lawsuits from customers, many paying names is the most glaring.

Mr Rowland, oevertheless, has a whom have already sued successfully in the courts. But most of those insurers are ultimately Lloyd's names.

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financed directly or indirectly by names, including £440m from those underwriting in the profitable years 1993-95, the proceeds of the sale of Lloyd's properties, contributions from the central fund and a levy on members to pay for a £300m bank

Indeed, this financial reconstruction is a masterpiece of ingenuity, beside which the attempt to rescue Eurotumei seem simple. Mr Rowland is making ends meet with resources that are less than they seem and he and his colleagues have done it with brilliant ingenuity.

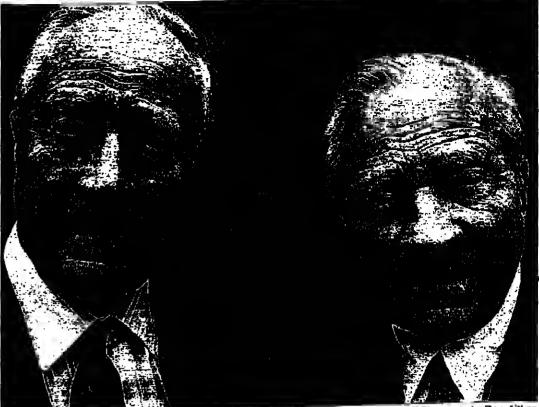
For example, among the market professionals, a large number of The vast bulk of the membership appears from the evidence of prethose most to blame for the losses have gone out of business or did not liminary votes on the plan to be willing to ignore the blatant unfairness, have sufficient insurance against in return for a settlement that will allow them to forget the past, and draw a line under an episode that cost £8bn in losses.

An analysis of the distribution of the rescue funds shows why the vote will be overwhelming. Of the total membership, 12,500 will pay nothing and some of those will receive a cheque; 7,200 will pay no more than £25,000, 4,100 less than £50,000, 3,500 less than £100,000 and only 4,400 more than £100,000.

In total, more than £2bn of debt is being written off, but for the vast majority of members a very large po-teotial burden will be capped at a manageable cost. No wonder they are likely to vote in favour.

The real question behind the judicial review, if the paying names are granted one, is not about the vote, which is a foregone conclusion, but about whether a majority can override the rights of a small minority of at most 3,000.

On the basis of the examples Most of the balance will be they have put up so far, the paying



Nearly identical: The proposals may leave one Vine twin £120,000 better off Photograph: Dan Aitken

names have a strong case for improved treatment. But Lloyd's claims it is too late, that there is no money available and that it is impossible to rework the offer - which takes three weeks to number-crunch for individual names - in time for the voting deadline oo

28 August The paying names, however, have been given good reasoo to believe that when its back is to the wall Lloyd's is likely to find some more. If they make any progress in court, they will probably be proved

Lloyd's offered £40m to US names as a sweeteoer last month, to persuade state securities regulators to drop court actions that could have excluded 2,400 American members from the rescue. Lloyd's also found

a comparable amount recently to provide pensions for names who have lost everything.
It is certainly hard to understand

how the glaring anomalies high-lighted by the paying names have not produced a more generous response. Whichever way the courts decide, a judicial review will highlight this embarrassing fact at the most awkward of times.

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The idea of race sponsorship is to promote your product, but if Schweppes notice a sudden drop in sales over the coming weeks, it will be because the nation's backers are insisting on something else in their gin and

The results have been bad for punters throughout Goodwood week, but the most vicious blow of oll was delivered in yesterday's Schweppes Golden Mile, one of the biggest betting races of the year, as the hot favourite Missile was short-headed by an unconsidered 66-1 chance. Moscow Mist.

In another stride, Missile might well have poked his nostrils ahead of the outsider, but Moscow Mist, the only maiden in the 18-strong field, had stolen just enough of a lead a furlong from home to keep the 9-4 favourite at bay. Mere inches separated them at the line, but a little over £33,000. each one must have been worth a million pounds or more to Britain's bookies.

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Greg Wood reports from Goodwood on how one of the year's top betting races turned into a bookmakers' benefit

choosing her team for Glorious ride yesterday. Goodwood.

Several other runners needed to come out in order for Moscow Mist to even take part, a lesser handicap on the opening day was pencilled in against his name.

But Alan Davies, his owner, was going to Goodwood on Thursday, not Tuesday, and at his insistence the Golden Mile became the prime target. Moscow Mist managed to sneak in at the bottom of the handicap, and the rest is the sort of history which punters would

Punters, that is, apart from Davies himself, whose £400 each-way bet at 66-1 returned It was an exceptional payday

too for Declan O'Shea, the winning jockey, who has strug-Even Lady Herries, Moscow gled for rides since arriving from Ireland in January but pro-

larget for the gelding when ment with his coolly-judged out to be the finest finish of the

"I had a good draw and I jumped out well," O'Shea said, "but I got a bit squeezed on the bend and had to drop back a little. I thought I'd traffic prob-

RICHARD EDMONDSON NAP: Ood Dancer (Goodwood 2.15) NB: Kilvine (Ascot 7.30)

lems but I got a good split when I needed it. I could see something coming quick on the out-

side, but he hung on." So too did Grey Shot, who led throughout the Group Two Goodwood Cup and held the persistent challenge of Lear White to record an outstanding success both for himself and for staying races in general. Ian Balding, his trainer, was close to tears in the winners' enclosure after what will surely turn

meeting. "I love the horse," Balding said, "and I can tell you, he's twice as good on soft ground. We're lucky that Double Trig-ger and Double Eclipse weren't here, but we not avoiding them and if we meet them on soft he'll them.

With courage and stamma in such abundance, Grey Shot might have a lucrative future over hurdles, but there seems little chance that he will be asked to embark on a winter cam-paign. "Jeff [Smith, his owner] was offered a lot of money for him last year to go jumping, but when he found out that's what it was for, it was no deal," the

trainer said. Easycall ran out the easy three-length winner of the day's other Group Two contest, the Richmond Stakes. This was newal of the Richmond, but Easycall won with great authority and the two-year-old will hold his own in the Gimcrack Stakes at York, his next scheduled engagement.

The generosity of the bookmakers this week has been matched only by that of Lanson Champagne, who, according to a press release, are celebrating the conjunction of Goodwood with the Olympics by presenting a magnum of fizz to the ownhave every chance of beating er of every borse running at the meeting which has the word

"Olympic" in its name. This magnificent gesture will amount, it seems, to a grand total of one magnum for the connections of Olympic Spirit, a invenile who runs in the Group Three Molecomb Stakes this af-

ternoon. This is probably all Olympic Spirit's owners can hope for, since Tipsy Creek (3.50) will take some beating. After such a miserable meeting in this quarter, it may now be time to admit defeat, but Son Of Sharp Shot (next best 3.20) and DOUnot, to be fair, the strongest re- BLE BLUFF (nap 2.45) make

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Left-hand course, level but quite sharp.

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BLINKERED FIRST TIME: Ched 1¹p(4.35).
WINNERS IN THE LAST SEVEN DATE: Checky Chappy (2.00)
won at Notingham last Monday.
LONG DISTANCE EUNNERS: Flora Shan (3.00) sera 280 miles from J Dunion's Arundei stable in West Sussex; Deahing Rocksville (4.05) & Polgmant (4.05) sent 224 miles from M Chan-non's Upper Lambourn stable in Berkshire.

2.00 GO RACING IN YORKSHIRE HANDICAP (CLASS D) £5,500 added 6f

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2.30 LEWIS GEIPEL MEMORIAL NURSERY HTCAP (CLASS D) £5,000 added 2YO 5f

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7.30 SCOTTISH EQUITABLE/JOCKEYS ASSO-CIATION RATED HANDICAP (CLASS C)

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GOODWOOD 2.15: DANCING IMAGE met with

trouble in running when finishing strongly to be a neck second to Green Barries (2lb worse off to-dny) over this trip on good to soft ground at Sandown last time. He ground at Sandown last time. He handles faster conditions under foot jou and should go well. Ood Dancer looks even better handi-capped but has a low draw to over-

2.45: CROWN COURT, who beat Emily-Mon by five lengths in a mile handicap on a fast surface at Newmarket, promises to stay the extra two furlengs and should be hard to beat. Mawingo may be the chief danger.

3.20: BETTER OFFER, who beat Beyond Doubt by half a length in a similar contest over this trip on fast ground at Ascot last Saturday, escapes a penalty for that victo-ry today and should go close. Son Of Sharp Shot could prove the most potent threat.

3.50: DEEP FINESSE beat Nombre Premier by threequarters of a length in the Group Three Prix du Bois on good to soft ground over five furlongs at Longchamp following his length victory over loveuse Entree in the Listed Priv la Fleche on good to firm groun over five furlangs 110 yards at Evry. He has strong claims. Tipsy Creek, who bear Raphane of length in the Group Three Nor-folk Stakes over five furiongs on good to firm ground at Royal As-cot, is the obvious danger.

Workmanlike success for Zamindar

Zamindar, a full-brother to Zafonic, gained a bloodless ali-the-way victory at odds of 2-5 in the Group Three Prix de Cabourg over six furlongs at Deauville yesterday. The colt is now 7-I from 10-1 with William Hill for next year's 2,000 Guineas.

reckoned the win was workmanlike, rather than brilliant, the Andre Fabre-trained colt was never in danger of defeat. He had two and a half lengths to spare over Dyhim Di-amond at the line with Elle Est Revenue third and Blade Ae last of the four-runner field. Zamindar's winning time of one

Although most observers

spectacular. Jockey Thierry Jaraet said: He showed some courage today, and did just what I wanted. He is the obvious favourite for the Prix Morny."
Grant Pritchard Gordon.

minute 12.8 seconds was

thought good without being

representing Khalid Abdullah, added: "Zamindar has had two casy races now. The Morny will be the real test."

The Group One Prix Morny, which Zafonic won back in 1992, is at Deauville on Sunday, 18 August.

■ Willie Carson's return to raccriding has been put back on ice - and he may not be back in action until next week. The 53year-old, who suffered bruising to his back and arm in a fall at Newmarket on Friday night, will not be back in action until tomorrow at the earliest.

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GOODWOOD HYPERION 4.25 Zaretski 2.45 Crown Court 3.20 Better Offer (nb) 5.00 Paojanic

3.50 DEEP FINESSE (nap) GOING: Good to Firm (watering). STALLS: Straight - stands' side; 1 m4(- outside; remainder - DRAW ADVANTAGE; High for 5f and 6f. High for 7f to 1m.

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Course is north of Chichester between A286 and A285. Crichester station four miles away, ADMISSION: Eichnond Enclosure - members and their guests only; Gordon Enclosure 16; Public Enclosure 55.0 (accompanied inder-17s free both enclosures); Trundle Enclosure free. CAR PARE: 25 for No 8 car park, remainder free.

5.35 Rock Symphony

LEADING TRAINERS WITH RUNNERS: R Hannon — 42 winners from 366 rm-ners gives a success ratio of 11.5% and a loss to a 51 level stake of \$64.25; P Cole — 23 winners, 122 runners, 18.0%, 4.73.11; J Donlop — 23 winners, 183 runners, 12.6%, 4.73.92; I Balding — 16 winners, 119 runners, 13.4%, 4.517.22. ■ LEADING JOCKETS: T Quinn — 38 winners, 236 rides, 18.3%, -5.61.04; J Reid — 36 winners, 244 rides, 14.3%, -5.36.84; Par Eddery — 34 winners, 176 rides, 19.4%, +51.15; W Carson — 31 winners, 211 rides, 14.7%, -559.47.

BLINKERED FIRST TIME: Cartesture (visored, 2.15), School Boy (2.15); Histon Rock (visored, 5.35).
WINNERS IN LAST SEVEN DAYS: Governor (5.00) won at Nottingham last Priday; Tiler (3.35) won at Thirsk lest Friday; Better Offer (3.20) won at Ascol last Saturiny; Luc-(3.35) won at Thirsk lest Friday; Better Offer (3.20) won at Ascol last Saturiny; LONG DISTANCE RUNNERS: Royal Mark (2.15) sent 295 miles from J W Wattr's Rich-mond stable in North Yorkshire; Green Barries (2.15), Unconditional Love (2.15), Freedom Flame (2.45) & Tiler (5.36) sent 286 miles from M Johnston's Middleham stable in North Yorkshire.

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Cod Demoer is sure to be popular given Luca Cument's handicap record here and the Night Staff coft should go well again having won two of his less three – at Beverley and Lingfeld – between times finishing that to Mazaobar in a mile handicap here that has worked out really well. Ood Dancer beat Albert The Bear and Bandard two lengths and three last time and should come out on top again. Second to Mazaobar here was Littl Claire, who went on to win at Newmarket by a length and a quarter from Mitas Bitviera, with Unaconditional Love third and Preads Ca fourth of ten. Sire is a fast-improving filly and has the edge on Ood Dancer at the weights, but like that rivel must overcome a low draw. STEAL "EM has a high draw and showed that she can front-run when putting up a much-improved effort to beat odds-on Misrule half a length at Chester, with a five-length gop to the third. Alan Balley's filly, half-scare to useful sprint handicapper Perryston View, had shown promise as a juvenile and is worth following now that she has struck form. The Creatine form is difficult to assess, but Steel Em's hand-taken one compares fourably with the appendic handicap over the same trip and she can put up a bold showing at a big price. Wheaver made the running when fourth to Amushitariak at Lingfeld last time and, drawn highest of all, may help to set the pace with Steel Em. High Samsaor may have got into her first handicap foworably treated after just two runs, easily winning a 15-numer maden at Warwick last time. This M much tougher, though, and Pat Eddary seems to prefer Ood Dancer. Het trek-seeling Green Barnice meets Dancing langue 2b worse for the neck he best him at Sandown lear month. Both should be thereabouts in their current form. Royal Mark, beaten a head by Polish Spring at York in May, when Carlicabare wee just a short head adrift in third, again yell to be third to Wildwood Flower at Newmarket last time and the return to this trp

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14	5-61511	MUNINGO (34) (Ms Caude Lilley) 6 Wags 8 9	
		Crown Court, 4-1 Patrice, 5-1 Minnings, 7-1 Double Bluff, 8-1 Keele	Lipis, 24-1 Fre
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dom Finne, 16-1 Al Abraq, Exalted, 20-1 Mestizzat, 1985: Jaifez 3 7 19 6 Sanders 8-1 U A R Totar) 14 Rm FORM GUIDE

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CROWN COURT scored by an impressive five tengths in a 19-runner Newmarket handloop, two days before Fethian, went in again by an easy three lengths from Whiston in a 20-runner race at the same course (AI Abriag was tourne and the Diffetheath Inith). Chown Court, who was besten three lengths and a neck by Fehlm at Beverley earlier, has been raised a stone since Newmarket, while Fehrin is 11th higher. That still gives Crown Court a 10th pull today and the real question is which one has improved more in the meantime and will be better suited by the longer trip. Fahlm was value for more than the official winning margin at Beverley, but Crown Court has been brought to hard more gradually and is just preferred today. Mawingto has won three of his four handloops, his only defeat being at the hands of smart Mestle at York. He could still be on the upgrade having beaten North Song two lengths at Newmarket last time and the step up to ten furlongs should not be a problem. Devikte Biteff is also on a het-trick and holds Freedom Flame from his Windsor win last time. He has made all for both whe but will do well to contain this field. Kustle Lipsis looks to have been aimed at this race, howing been absent since beating Bolin Joanne in a malifier of weight. Exalted could be best at a mile, while Weshabild will do well to win swith top weight.

WINNERS IN THIS LAST SEVEN DAYS: None.

LONG-DESTANCE EURONESS: Forest Peacher (5.20) sent 194
miles by C Weedon from Childfungfold, Survey: Four Weedshags
(3.191, Steley Money (3.40), Peter Monassay (4.16), Dismound
Cat (4.46), Pond House (6.30) & Million Dancer (5.50) ell surv.
170 miles by M Pipe from Nicholashayne, Devon.

3.20	SCHRODERS GLORIOUS RATED HANDICAP (CLASS A) (Listed race) £50,000 added 1m 4f
0-42140	MIDNEGAT LEGISTED (24) (CD) (Ultim Cam Racing) L. Cumani 58 7 Raid 6
	SALLION LADOER (USA) (12) (M Acob) P Cole 4 9 5T Quim 2
	RIVER NORTH (39) (D) (P O Seed) Lady Herres 8 8 4K Derley 7
	SON OF SHARP SHOT (21) (CD) (Windfower Holdings) / Dunion 8 8 13Part Edday 2
	SANMARTINO (44) ((Abdula) 8 Hils 4 8 12 Pat Edday 3
	IONIO (USA) (27) (D) (The Dayspring Company Limited) C Brittain 5 8 7 B Dayle 5
	ROYAL SCHITTAR (USA) (27) (D) (HRH Prince Felid Salmer) P Cole 4 8 7
	ROKERY BOWL (3) (Paul Mellon) Balding 4 8 7
	DETTER OFFER #0 #10 Fig. Wheels Served C Houseard 4 9 7

River North only runs if them is overnight care, in hendicap weights: lonio 8st 6th, Royal Sch Michimum weight: 8st 7th. Troe hending weights: land 8st 6th, Royal Schniker 8st 6th, Rokels 5th, Better Offer 8st 4th. BETITING: 9-2 Better Offer, Michight Legend, Salmon Ludder, 5-1 Son Of Shurp Shot, 8-1 Sa 8-3, Rokels Bout, 10-1, Royal Schmidter, River North, 12-1 Ioalo 1995: Midnight Legend 4 9 7 L Design 7-2 (L M Cuman) 7 can

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SALMON LADDER has come back well after a deeppointing 1995, a wind operation doing the trick, winning at Hamilton and then beating Elile Ardensity a length at Assot in June. Salmon Ladder was not given a a hard time once beaten in the Hong Kong Jockey Club Trophy at Sandown and showed he is holding his form well by running Wall Street to a length at Newbury (1m27) lest time. A mile and a helf should suit. Better Offer does not get a penalty for his narrow Ascot win from Beyond Doubt on Saturdey, but he is 3th out of the handicap, which is exactly how much he is due to go up from tomorow, Son Of Sharp Shot came back to winning form by short-heading Romines of York and should again go well. Paul Eddery rides this time, as Pat is on Sammartine, who had lonio and Son Of Sharp Shot behind when fifth of 20 in the Beasborough Handicap at Ascot, Lost year's Ebor winners in while to find this a sufficient test of standard, Rowbox Bowt's fourth to Grand Selection at the William Hill Trophy on Tuesday was a typically brave effort and he should appreciate the step up to 12 furlongs.

Selection: SALMON LADDER

3	.50	JOCKEY CLUB OF KENYA MOLECOMB STAKE (CLASS A) (Group 3) £35,000 added 270 5f	BBC2
1			P Robinson 7 117
2	11	TRPSY CREEK (USA) (43) (D) (Hamdan Al Maktoum) 8 Hambury 9.3	RHE 4 118
3			D Holland 3 115
4		VAX STAR (28) (D) (Vax Limited) J Spearing 8 10.	
5		CARMINE LAKE (87) (D) (BP) (R E Sangster) P Chapple-Hyam 8 7	
5			K Fellon 1 107
7		DEVINERY SPECIFICATION AND AND AND AND ADDRESS OF THE PROPERTY ADDRESS OF THE PROPERTY AND ADDRESS OF THE PROPERTY ADDRESS OF	1 Carroll R 11/1

BETTEVE: 11-8 Tipsy Creek, 5-1 Deep Finesse, 11-2 Cormise Lake, 6-1 Vax Star, 13-2 Olympia Spir-1995: Almay 2 9 3 K Darley 9-2 (C Collins, Ireland) 7 ran

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CARMINE LAKE has gone off at odds-on in both her races to date but, after easily beeting Dame Laura at Newmarket in April, could finish only third to Commence at Cheese. A pulled muscle excuses that effort and the subsequent runs of Dame Laura (runner-up to Dame Parade in the Queen Mary where Comemans was fourth) suggest she should be able to deep the Theorems and the Cheese that the to overturn placings with her Chester conqueror. The opposition is strong, eithough Raphanets defeat here yesterday takes some of the gloss off Tipsy Cheek's Norfolk Stakes win from that mail. The Daylur cold is a smort sprinting juvenile note the less and has a taxountle's chance. So does Deep Fleesee, who has won a Listed roce and a Group Three in France on his lest two starts. That represents knotived form, but he did finish a length and a half behind Denne Laura when they filled the places in Andreyev's Sandown race, so the concession of 10% to Carmine Lake may prove bught. Vax Star found only Dazde, molang her debut, too good in the Windsor Castle or Royal Agost, where Olyanpic Spirit (3% better off) was 8 langth and a quarter back in third. Vax Star went on to best Compton Place a head at Sendown and is enother who must be feared. Omnite City found Cystal Crossing, stoblemete to Camme Lake, two lengths too good at Newbury last time, ao Peter Chappis-Hyam should know where he stands with that one.

Selections CARMINE LAKE

4.25	EBF FORHALL MAIDEN STAKES (CLASS D) £10,000 adder 2YO colts and geldings 7f	1
1 06	DICKEE BIRD (1/4) (George E K Text) R Harvion 8 11Pat Eddery (5
2	PRAIRIE FALCON (Lady Hermon) 8 Hills 8 11	Ĺ
3	OUERGER (R M Brehaut) M Chennon 8 11 R Horbes 4	
4	LINEXHOURN TERRITORY (Survey Lattinators Ltm) M Channon 8 11	į
5 034	ZAREISNI (SS) (B H Vook) C Bousin 8 11. B Doyle 2 - 5 declared -	
	Prairie Fatoon, 11-4 Zeretsid, 7-2 Dicide Bird, 9-2 Unknown Territory, 5-1 Quertier Fatoern 2.8.11 W Roon 8-15 (H.R.A. Cocil) 8 zen	

FORM GUIDE PRAIRIE FALCON, is a 72,000 guineas Alzão colt related to several winners, including the useful Hill Hopper. Zarestald, fourth of six behind Yashmak, makes more appeal than Dilok-le Bird, the only other to have rur, while Quertier looks the better of Mick Channon's newcomers ahead of Unicoows Territory.

Selection: PRAIRIE FALCON 5.00 CHICHESTER CITY HANDICAP (CLASS C) £10,000 added

		310 31	
1	554522	WHITE EMER (LIS) (D) (BF) (The Three Beers Racing) 8 Mechan 9 7	B Doyle 4 R
2	533444	DANDE FLYER (8) (D) (Dandelon Distribution Ltd) 9 Arbuthnot 8 13	D Holland 6
3	021003	SHASP PEARL (15) (D) (Deonis Yorth) J White 8 10	R Ruthes 1 B
4	301341	6M/ESPYR (7) (D) (Lord Mostyn) J Berry 8 6 (7ex)	Cerroll 8
5		PACULUNIC (LA) (Pecio Rocardi) L Cumeri 8 5	
8	4-52211	CLAN CHIEF (B) (D) (P G Love) J Amold 8 5 (7ex)	T Onion 2
7		CHEMICAST (2) (CD) (B L Costady) 9 Nacholis 8 2	
8		STEP ON DEBAS (15) (D) (Deess Partnership) M F-Godley 8 0	
8		UTERARY SOCIETY (USA) (USA) (USA) (Use of December) 3 Toler 7 13 — B decimed —	
		Paojiunic, 7-2 Clan Chief, 9-2 Guespyr, 5-2 White Brair, 7-1 Literary S ende Flyer, 14-1 ethors	inclety, 8-1 Sheep

1995: Crowded Avenue 3 8 2 Paul Editory 3-1 (P 1 Makin) 6 ran FORM GUIDE

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LITERARY SOCIETY sumbled at the start of Newbury III June but still managed to finish that to John O'Dreims, a length behind Class Chief, who was beaten a short head (Stag Os Deglass was fifth and is held). Literary Society is 12b better off today and managed a Brighton win from Midnight Spell in a small field lest time. White Emir field to take advantage of a fewourable handicap mark at Bath lest time, going down half a length to Mindrace, with Sharip Pearl atroot two lengths back in mind, Gweapyr a head away fourth and Stap On Deglas seventh of eight having been hampered. Chemicast has lost his way since wirning at Musselburgh in June, but Luca Cument's Peoplease is interesting cropping back to the minimum trip in his first handicap. 5.35 KINRARA APPRENTICE LIMITED STAKES (CLASS D) £10,000 added 6f

.....D Wright 9 Y Brassbill (5) 7

- 11 declared ESTENC: 9-4 Tiler, 4-1 Scharaberst, 5-1 Assolium, 7-1 Summer, 8-1 Schara Ridge, 10-1 Have Al Nascomet, 12-1 Feetesy Rucing, 14-1 others 1995: First Val 5 8 7 N Varley 4-1 (I R Farstone) 7 ran

FORM GLIEDE
TILER has had in-form Cheeley Chappy behind in both his recent runs, when second to Triveab at Ayr and then when beating Berzoe a nack at Thinks off a mark of 78. Meking all lest rune, he will like this fest six furnous and should win again. Cheeley Chappy had Hewes Al Nessansest a length behind in third when winning at Nottingham on Seturday, with Heaton Rock stath. Have Al Nasansast gets 3th from Tiler today but the selection just comes on best at the weights. Notock Symphosy won off 85 at Ripon last yeer so must be respected, white Senswer shaped well in fourth to Double Splendour at York.

Selection: TILER

ASCOT

HYPERION 6.00 Umberston 6.30 Roi De La Mer 7.00 Etna 7.30 Law Commission 8.00 Briska 8.30 Nation-

al Treasure GOING: Good to Pirm.

STALLS: Straight course — stands' side; round course — inside.

IRAW ADVANTAGE: None.

Eight-hand course with testing uphill finish.

Course is nr junction of A229 and A330. Station adjoins com

ADMISSION: Members \$12 (Juntor Members 16-25 years.)

v: Members 512 (Junior Members 16-25 years, half istand & Paddock 58; Salver Ring 55. CAR PARK: price); Grandstand & Paddock 58 No's 1, 2 & 3 54, remainder free. SIS All races

BLINEERED FIRST TIME: Tandan Boy (6.30), WINNERS IN THE LAST SEVEN DAYS: Action Jackson (6.00)

won at Nottingham on Friday; Union Town (8.00) won at Thirsk on Friday; The Deejay (8.00) won at Newcastle on Mondby. LONG-DISTANCE RUNNIERS: The Deejay (8.00) has been sent 212 miles by M Brittain from Warthill, North Yorkshire.

6.00 BUCKINGHAM PALACE APPRENTICE HANDICAP (CLASS E) £6,000 added 1m 55-0421 ACTION JACKSON (7) B McMath 49 12 (4ex)... 2 5100-00 THOLETE (74) (CD) R Williams 4 9 11 Almee Cook 8 8 3 0-00100 SOUMAA (7) (D) R Power 6 9 4 C Administra 8 8 4 050 SOUMAA (7) (D) R Power 6 9 4 C Administra 8 8 3 Southie Mitcheld 3 5 30-5030 RISSING SPRAY (7) C Horgan 5 9 0 Aktributa Sanders 11 6 33940-0 DURSHAN (USA) (27) J Berlets 7 8 13 P Doo (8) 7 0-4424 VOICES M THE SRY (2) A Newcombe 5 8 10 September 8 8 000-050 UNRERSTON (22) L Carron 3 8 8 R Project (5) 8 000-050 PRINCE DE BERRY (27) 8 Meeters 5 8 6 D Sweetney 5 10 DOGOOD PRINCE DE BERRY (27) 8 Meeters 5 8 6 D Sweetney 5 10 DOGOOD BRONZE RUNNER (11) (D) E Wheeler 12 7 12

11 20-0000 LEAP IN THE DARK (11) Mass L Social 7 7 11.7 States (5) 4 Sky, 8-1 Rising Spray, Tholette, Prince de Berry, 14-1 others.

	L	5.30	£8,000 added 1m 2f
	1	4/0-0621	ALAFLAK (27) (D) Major W R Hem 5 10 0 Pat Eddery 1.
	2		CHARTER (66) Major 9 Chappel 599
	3	101114	ROLFONDANE (13) (D) W Mar 59 5
-	4	602111	PISTOL (9) C Hogan 6 9 5 (Sex)
	5		SHARPICAL (24) (D) Sr Mark Prescor 49 4 5 Deffett 11
	6		FAHS (USA) (7) R Aleture 492S Sunders 8
- 1	7	00-3632	TAUFAN BOY (20) P Hams 3 9 0 E Had 9 8
	8		CLAIRE'S DANCER (58) (IX) Andrew Turnell 38 11 7 hos 2
	8	160243	LAW DANCER (8) T Mile 389 D Holland 12
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- 8 declared BETING: 7-4 tholon Toyer, 4-3 Bytelm, 5-1 The Decjay, 6-1 Newtonistroles, 8-1 Enton Perts, Start's My Key, 10-1 others. COOL INVOSHIRE GROUP HANDICAP (CLASS D) 8.30 CRANBOURNE CHASE MAIDEN STAKES (CLASS D) £8,000 added 3YO 1m 4f

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2 32 CARALLES (USA) CHS | Lord Huntington 90 8 Doyle 4
3 56 MOON MISCHES (23) (HS) Lord Huntington 90 8 Part Edding 2
4 0-5 LIFET, MR (USA) (23) (Societ 8 8 9 Part Edding 3
5 0 MATIONAL TREASURE (23) M Stouto 8 9 Problemen 5
6 declared 8
BETTIME: 9-4 Cabelles, 8-1 Lieffing, 7-2 Moon Mischief, 9-2 National Treasure, 8-1 Belliot High.

601025 RUSHCUTTER BAY (15) 7 Clement 3 8 10 9 Familiator (7) 6

VARDY CONTINENTAL HANDICAP (CLASS

NEWMARKET

6.15 Uncle George 6.40 Belmarita 7.10 F Again 7.40 Elashath 8.10 Maftool 8.40 Ro

STALLS: Straight course - stands' side. DRAW ADVANTAGE: None. Right-hand course with 1 m2f straight. Course is SW of town on A1304. Post link from Combrid

Newmarket stations. ADMISSION: Club £14 (19 to 25-years); Grandstand & Paddock £10 (18 to 25-year-olds £5); F coure \$3. CAR PARK: Members \$1; remainder free SIS BLINERED FIRST TIME: Crystal Fast 16.15); Muke

WINNERS IN THE LAST SEVEN DAYS: None

trons (7.40) have been sent 200 miles from E Alston's 6.15 RO-TRUCK FOR SCANIA SELLING STA (CLASS E) £5,000 added 1m 050000 NEDIATE (24) A Hob 4 B 4 _______ D Nigo 10 B 30-0010 NRSS LAUGHTER (34) (0) J His 4 9 4 ______ D Urbins 8 0-00045 NORM REPSOOY (42) (5) (0) A Baley 4 B 13. P Normfield 2 006500 CRYSTAL FAST (17) P Kellsusy 38 11_C Domentie (7) 8 8

- 10 declared -BETTING: 3-1 Lincie George, 9-2 Parlicus Pigist, 5-1 Hawman, 8-1 Dancing Lawyer, 7-1 Was Laughter, 8-1 Naman, 10-1 Orby, 12-1 others 6.40 LUCINDA STOPFORD SACKVILLE LADIES H'CAP (CLASS E) £5,000 added 1m 4f

- 7 declared -BETTING: 5-2 Melcoed, 3-1 Selmerita, 7-2 Go With the Wind, 5-1 Ein Man Hown, 10-1 Children's Choice, Strat's Legacy, 14-1 Star Anke

	2 63U335 GOLDEN POLIND (1/4) (D) Man Gay Kelemey 4 9 9 I Rok
	3 322-310 DARK DEED (USA) (24) / 73 8 Hab 3 8 7 Hab 2 8 7
Fame	4 430302 TABLE AGAIN (7) Alich Ramsden 4 9 3 Sustant
oyale	5 052123 MOUSEHOLE (46) (D) (8F) R Guest 48 1 K Dusley 1
	9 PACACL BATHY (INCL. 1743) (In M. Hebre 7.0.4
	7 350021 ROBELLION (8) 9 Assurbant 5 8 8 (7ex) S Whithworth 5
	8 300-006 SAFEY AMA (USA) (35) 8 Hanbury 5 8 5 Stact
	- E stantaneri -
	BETTING: 5-2 Fame Again, 3-1 Bayin, 4-1 Robotton, 6-1 Dark Deed, 7
	Mousehole, 8-1 Golden Pound, 12-1 others
ge and	TAGE SCANIA THINK OF THE STATE
ar-olds	7.40 SCANIA TRUCK OF THE YEAR HANDICA
Family	(CLASS E) £7,000 added 1m 2f
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	3 120556 GALAPRIO (34) (D) C Bottom 3 8 13 J Gotobed (7) :
	4 15-0001 RING OF VISION (22) (D) Mis M Review 4 8 12K Durley 5
	5 511233 AMBIDEKTROUS (14) E Akton 4 8 10 Fortune
ed (∀ -	8 25(30-00 MAZIRAH (50) P Make 58 8
	7 524-650 FARELAINE (48) K Balley 4 8 8 B Theorems
	8 560502 SOUTH EASTERN FRED (20) (22) H Collegadge 5 8 6 J Quine
ridex-	8 60-00 POREIGN REDGEMENT (18) W Musicin 3 8 5 J Williamon (7)
	10 620080 SALTANDO (43) Pet Machell 58 5
Long-	11 060200 COMC HRL (13) (D) J Parce 5 8 5
	12 301040 AFRANSH HEIGHTS CO ED (67) Ms.J. Rameten 389 .F Lyach (3)
_	13 000-004 FEBR'S GOVERNOR (16) W Museon 4 7 12 D R McCabe
KES	14 424406 GOLD DESIRE (46) (CD) M Button 87 10 Love 1
	- 14 deciseed -
	Minimum weight: 7st 10th. True handloop weight: Gold Desire 7st 5th.
bbutt 9	BETTING: 5-2 Electricity, 7-1. Ring of Victors, 8-1. South Electricity Fred, As
Loren 7	bidextrons, 10-1 Dance King, Arabian Heights, 12-1 others
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7.10 C) £8,000 added 6f

8.10 EBF BEACON MAIDEN STAKES (CLASS D) £8,000 added 2YO 7f

DICE MANDORSE (USA) L Cuman 89. ENTREPRENEUR M Stouts 90....... ERT GUY C Battan 8 9 PENNOS FEION HEAVEN H COMY 9 0 A Hay PEDMING J Dunitop 9 0
SOCIAL PILLAR (USA) J Gooden 8 0
9 ROGHT TUNE (23) 8 Hanbury 8 9
0 SHOUR (14) L Cucioni 8 8 — 8 doctored — TING: 11-4 Social Piller, 3-1 Entrapress Ming, 8-1 Mattool, Shoult, 12-1 others.

8.40 DEREK JONES COMMERCIALS STAKES (CLASS C) £8,000 added filles 6f

— B declared — BETTIME: evens Watch Mo. 5-2 Royale Rearine, 6-1 Maid For The Hille 7-1 Red Nymph, 10-1 Tropical Dance

BANGOR. 3YO 2m 1f HYPERION FOUR WEDDINGS (USA) M Pipe 11 12 ... 3.10 Four Weddings 3.40 Stocky Money 4.15 Peter Monamy 4.45 First Crack 5.20 Forest D Bridganter 6 SHE'S SIMPLY GREAT I J O'Nell 11 4 ___ R McGrath (5) ALL IN GOOD TIME C'Thomas 119 _____N For Feather 5.50 Million Dancer SOME FOR JESS F Jordan 10 9...

GUANG: Goon to Firm.

Left-hand, undustring course; run-in 325yds.

Course 4 miles SE of Wrenham near join of AS25 and B5068.

Bas from Wrenham rail station. ADMISSION: Peddock 58;
Course SA (under-10s free all enclosures). CAR PARE: Free. SACA SIND T Wall 10 9 - 9 Sectored -SETTING: 5-4 Four Weddings, 7-2 Stor's Simply Great, 9-2 All in Good Time, 6-1 My Kind, 8-1 Song For Joss, 20-1 knage Molec, 25-1 oth-SIS BLINKERRD FIRST TIME: Balmoral Princess, Friendly Dreams & Four Weddings (3.19). WINNERS IN THE LAST SEVEN DAYS: None.

3.40 CHRONICLE NEWSPAPERS NOVICE CHASE (CLASS D) £5,200 3m 110yds 1 424-S31 MANOR PRIVATE (30) J McContractor 8 11.5 2 PO42-61 SUCKY MONEY (12) (D) M Pipe 8 11 1... D Bridgemen

3.10 MFM AND MARCHER GOLD NOVICE 3 0FG0-52 PHARRING (15) 9 Bushel 7 11.0 ...
CLAIMING HURDLE (CLASS F) £3,000 4 APP-0FF PRESTHILL (12) 0 Williams 7 11.0 ... - 5 declared -

> 4.15 NEW SEASON SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE (CLASS 6) £2,600 added 2m 1211 PETER MONUNY (71) (D) M Ppc 4 11.8 ______ D Winish 554200 GREEN'S \$2460 (74) G Rehmts 8 10.9 _____ D Galley 554200 OUR MICA (260) L Beront 6 10.0 _____ D J Kinvangh (5) P509/69 PRISERY (20) G Odryd 9 10.0 _____ S Calall V GP000 GUERANN (82) 7 Galdwill 5 10.0 ______ S Feeten

- 6 declared -- 6 declared Minimum weight: 10st, True handisp veight: Great's Saujo 9st 13th, Our Max Set Gb, Persony Set, Outrain 8st 12th, BETTING: 1-2 Pater Mossony, 3-1 Great's Saujo, 6-1 Forgatiat, 26-1 Our Mice, 28-1 Passitoy, 50-1 Calvalo.

4.45 WREXHAM LAGER HANDICAP HURDLE (CLASS D) £4,000 2m 4f

RETENCE 3-1 Dancing Dove, 5-2 Sine Rhem, 3-1 Discond Cut, 5-; First Crack, Batty's Johnel, 10-1 Ring's Shifting, 25-1 Playful John.

5.20 ERBISTOCK NOVICE HANDICAP CHASE (CLASS E) £4,500 added 2m 4f

110yds 6211-44 ARCTIC LIFE (14) (D) J Jeriers 7 12 0 ______ I Onhome C2022-4 FOREST FERTIER (2) C Weecon 8 11 1 _____ I Schmids Br P3215-P FOND HOUSE (8) M Paps 7 10 12 ______ D Schüpenin 20262-P NORMERNI MOTON (41) W Clay 8 10 12 ____ R Johnson 6130-IU GEORGE LANE (18) F Josen 8 10 0 _____ R Grouns

Minimum noight: 10st. True handicap weight: George Lane Set 10th, Min-ers Rest Set 7th, Warrar For Pleasure Set 2th. BETTENE: 7-4 Forest Feather, 9-4 Arctic Life, 6-1 Miners Rost, 6-1 Portlemann.

5.50 LLANGOLLEN NOVICE HURDLE (CLASS E) £3,500 added 2m 1f

- S mechania BETUNC: 1-3 Million Dances, 5-1 Lauces, 10-1 Disco's Well, Tipsy Queer 14-1 Seven Wells, Interbuden, 20-1 others.

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Leicestershire are indebted to Wells

Cricket

MICHAEL AUSTIN reports from Leicester Leicestershire 364-7 v Northamptonshire

The august time for bold Championship statements is nigh. Leicestershire, joint leaders with Surrey, made theirs. Put in by next-to-bottom Northamptonshire yesterday, their opener Vince Wells passed 150 for the fourth time this summer in all matches on his way to a career-best 202 not out, with 30 fours and a six.

rag, tag and bohtail look without Rob Bailey, Richard Montgomeric, Russell Warren and

captain Alan Fordham opted to field, allowing a pause for thought. It could be extra-long as Leicestershire bat on today.

Wells, 31 next Wednesday, came to his adopted county from Kent as a hits and pieces player with a medium paced bowling brief four years ago. He attracted Northamptonshire's own attention when he was leaving Kent after the 1991 season but with Tony Penberthy around they could scarcely duplicate another all-rounder role.

He has since climbed the batting order. A heady double-hundred against Yorkshire was Northamptonshire have a followed by 197 off the Essex 8ttack in his next Championship innings and, when reaching 182 yesterday, he completed 1,000

Somerset captain loses his place

Round-up SIMON O'HAGAN

Somerset yesterday showed how little room there was for

sentiment in cricket when they dropped their captain, Andy Havhurst, from the team to play Hampshire because they felt he was not playing well enough to justify keeping out younger players. Peter Bowler, the club's vice-captain, has taken charge of the team. Hayhurst, 33, has not been

stripped of the captaincy, which he has held since 1994, but needs to improve his form in order to force his way back, says Brian Rose, the Somerset chairman. Hayhurst has scored 224 runs in the Championship this season at an average of 18. Hayhurst's replacement, the 20year-old Marcus Trescothick,

the first day on 412 for six.
Ashley Metcalfe moved to

within sight of his maiden century for Nottinghamshire as they ended the day at 268 for five against Glamorgan at Worksop. The former Yorkshire opener hit 14 fours and a six in his unbeaten 91.

Mark Patterson overshadowed Chris Lewis's comeback by taking six South Africa A wickets on his first-team debut for Surrey. Lewis captained an under-strength Surrey against the unbeaten tourists as he attempts to prove his fitness after missing the Test defeat by Pakistan with a groin injury. Patterson, 22, coming to the end of a two-week trial with Surrey. wrapped up the South African innings with four for 18 in 4.3 overs after tea. The tourists were all out for 379.

Kent v Worcestershire

P C Weston c Hooper b Headley A Hick run out M Moody c Fulton b Eathern

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David Sales. Doubtless, acting runs in a season for the first

Yesterday his command was unerring, with the marginal exception of a mis-hook on 131, off Paul Taylor, which fell short of Mal Loye, the onrushing fielder at deep square leg. Without James Whitaker, who has a torn calf muscle, Wells assumed additional batting responsibilitics. Lacing diligence with brava-do, he reached a century from 157 for 3 and shared a partnership of 152 with Phil Simmons.

Northamptonshire faltered the field as Simmons made with 11 fours from 140 balls. They endured a torrid afternoon session in which Leicestershire added 139 runs for the loss of Aftah Habib, caught off a Curtly Ambrose delivery of rare, extra bounce.

Ambrose bowled 17 economical overs before Jeremy Snape, the off-spinner introduced in the 81st over, dismissed Simmons with his first delivery, and Greg McMillan three balls later. Simmons was bowled off a glove and McMillan caught at slip. Suddenly, Northamptoo-shire were animated but Leicestershire kept doing what they have all season - heads down and emphasising their drive to win the title after a 21-year gap.

John Emburey, the county coach and No 1 off-spinner, bowled four and a half hours earlier than Snape, pitched the ball on the proverbial sixpence and no one took liberties. Wells still hit 17 boundaries in his hundred and Emburey was first to slap him on the back when taking the single from his bowling to complete a double century.

Others had fallen by the wayside on a pitch likely to sympathise with spinners as the match progresses. Wells apart, only Simmons made a half-century. For Wells, this was a third douhie hundred, together with a near miss, in his golden six-week spell.



Ed Giddins in action yesterday after being charged by the Test and County Cricket Board with using a prohibited substance and bringing the game into disrepute

CRICKET SCOREBOARD

Hick back to his best . with flowing century

DAVID LLEWELLYN

reports from Canturbury Worcestershire 311-6 v Kent

The Thursday of Canterbury Week is traditionally Ladies Day, but this year it belonged to Graeme Hick as he fashioned the 89th first-class hundred of his career. It would not be unreasonable, given Hick's obvions class, to expect a quarter of that impressive list of centuries to have been made at Test level, but in fact Hick has scored just four for England.

But yesterday he had clear-ly put his perceived failures in the first Test against Pakistan at Lord's well behind him and, having survived a sharp caught and bowled chance to Martin McCague when he had reached

16, proceeded untroubled and punishingly to three figures.

There is an economy of effort with Hick, but in full flow he looks a million ecus - his effort was witnessed by Chancellor Kenneth Clarke - as he cut, pulled and drove the toiling Kent attack to all parts of the ground. He was a tantalising two runs short of his 150 when he took off from the non-striker's end in response to Reuben Spiring's call for a single.

Hick was a slow starter and by the time he spotted the danger Trevor Ward's accurate and fast throw had reached wicketkeeper Simon Willis's gloves. Whether his 148 will be enough to persuade the England selectors to give him yet another chance is debatable, but they may be taking notice of Spiring as a possible A Tourist after he

shared in a fourth-wicket stand of 160 with Hick.

He showed admirable temperament and generally good shot selection as he made his way steadily past 50 for the seventh time this summer, on two of those occasions he has gone on to make Championship hundreds and certainly looks to have the talent. He did survive a comfortable stumping chance on 41, when he rashly put four yards between himself and safety to have a swipe Min Patel's slow left arm bowling, but Willis passed up the opportunity and it was left to Mark Ealham, the pick of the Kent bowlers, to have him playing on 30 runs lat-er. Thereafter Kent failed to winkle out the limpet-like Stuart Lampitt and Steven Rhodes, who stuck it out until the close to ensure a third batting point.

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Hartley leads fightback

HENRY BLOFELD

recorts from Eastbourne Yorkshire 345; Sussex 33-2

Sussex supporters lead frustrated lives. They must have felt that this was going to be one of the better days when, after putting Yorkshire in to bat yesterday, Sussex had reduced them to 150 for 7 -- but they then had to suffer while Richard

Blakey and Peter Hartley put on 151 in 24 overs. After impressive spells by Jason Lewry, arguably a better left-arm seamer than either of the two who played for England st Lord's, and Vasbert Drakes (5 for 99 in 27 overs) the qual-

ity of the bowling fell away. The eighth-wicket pair received a constant stream of half-volleys and long-hops and, while Blakey was bappy to make one end safe as he compiled his highest score for two years, Hartley, a most engaging batsman, took full toll. He drove and pulled without much footwork in an almost stately manner, making 89 from 76 balls with two sixes and 16

The seam bowlers all suffered, and none more so than Ed Giddins, who heard during the day that he will face the fuil disciplinary committee of the Test and County Cricket Board on 19 August. The pitch had apparently been uncovered when a storm broke on Monday and it was a good morning for the seamers, who found movement in the air and off the pitch.

Lewry started Yorkshire's early decline in the fifth over when he hit Michael Vaughan's off-stump with one which swung back into him. It is this ability to swing the ball into the righthander at a distinctly lively pace which marks Lewry out.

In the eighth over, David Byas was yorked by Drakes and in the 13th Lewry bowled Martyn Moxon through his closed on 166 for 4.

swung in late. At 55, Michael Bevan trod on his stumps after edging a short one from Giddins into his body

Anthony McGrath and Craig White then added 90 in 29 overs on either side of kunch, before Drakes removed them both and Darren Gough for five runs in 11 halls.

Phillip DeFreitas, the former England all-rounder, gave Gloucestershire a torrid time with a five wicket haul at Derby yesterday. The visitors were recovering well from the loss of Nick Trainor to the first ball of the match when the innings went into swift decline. They slumped from 114 for 3 to 217 all out before tea, with only their opener Matt Windows offering any real resistance with 76 in 52 overs. Courtney Walsh hit back with two quick wickets but Derbyshire's former captain, Kim Barnett, struck a rapid 65 (making 50 off 54 balls) as Derbyshire

Britannic Assurance County Championship First day of four, 11.0 today

Derbyshire v Gloucestershire DERBY: Derbyshire (4pts), with six first-isnings wickets standing, are 51 runs behind Gloucosterbire (2).

Gloucestershire won toss

Extras (106, no 12) ... Total (66 overs) _____217
Falt: 1-0, 2-59, 3-61, 4-114, 5-129, 8-162, 7-181, 8-182, 9-194. Bowling: Malcolm 13 3-38-2; Cork 17-2-72-1; Defretas 26-10-72-5; Dean 10-2-29-2.

KENT: 7 R Ward, D P Futton, N J Dong, "C L Hooper, M.V. Fleming, M.A. Ealham, M., Walter, †S.C.Willis, D.W.Headley M.J.McCague, M.M. Patel, Umplinas: H.D. Bard and J.W. Holder.

Leicestershire v Northants

LEICESTERSMINE - Flore lookste J Wells not out B F Smith c Ripley b Curran

A Habib c Curran b Ambrose

Feb. 1-56, 2-96, 3-137, 4-289, 5-291, 6-348, 7-361,

5-348, 7-351.*
To bat: M T Brinson, A D Mullaly,
Bowling: Ambrose 17-6-35-1; Taylor
15-1-66-0; Curran 12-1-60-2; Capel
10-2-45-0; Emburay 21-3-57-1; Pembertry
14-3-33-0; Watton 3-0-16-0; Snape
12-0-42-3.

NORTHAMPTONSHIPE: "A Fordham, J N Snape, T C Wetton, K M Cutran, O J Capel, M B Loye, A L Penberthy, J E Emburey, †D Ripley, J P Raylor, C E L, Amtarose, Umphres: R Julian and J D Bond,

Middlesex v Essex LORD'S: Essex (4pts), with all first-in

Middlesex won toss M R Ramorakash Ibw b llott "J D Carr e Gooch b Cow

Part 1-0, 2-0, 3-106, 4-136, 5-184, 6-212, 7-234, 6-242, 9-258, Bowling: Hott 22.4-11-47-4; Wijkiams 20-4-78-1; Irani 15-5-34-1; Cowen 21-2-76-4; Law 14-9-14-0; Such 2-0-9-0.

7.05: 1. COMPTON PLACE (\$ Sanders) 5-4 far; 2. Deimeny Dancer 16-1; 3. Colombia 10-3. 4 ran. 2, 21/L (J Toller). CSF:

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surprise in the Galway Hurdle

Trained by former champion

A P Grayson not out ...

ELAMOREANE S P James, H Morris, A W Erars, *M P Maynard, P A Cottey, D P Buicher, D D Gibson, R D B Coft, N M Kendrick, †C P Metson, S L Wajston, Umplines: B Dudleston and K J Lyons. Somerset v Hampshire TAUNTON: Somerset (4pts) have 412 for a against Hampshire (2). Hampshire won toss SOMERSET – First inn

OFTINGHAMSHIRE - First lunings
R Pollard b Watter
T Robinson e Maynard b Watter
V M Noon e Messer b Croft

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Felt: 1-22, 2-39, 3-193, 4-244, 5-310, 6-324,

6-324, Te bett A R Caddick, J D Batty, K J Shine, Bowling: Bovill 23-4-101-2; Milburn 20-4-82-1; Jernes 19-1-78-0; Stephenson 17-1-78-2; Udal 23-6-63-1; Laney 2-0-3-0. HAMPSHIRD: J S Laney, "J P Stephenson, K D James, R A Smith, V P Terry, M Keech, fA N Aymes, W S Kendall, S D Udal, J N B Bovill, S M Milburn, Usepires: A A Jones and M J Muchen. s, r m Such, ser 4-0-13-0; Johnson 4-0-15-0. Notts y Glamorgan Notts y Glamorgan WORKSOP: Nottinghamshire (scored 268 for 5 against Glan Nottinghamshire won toss

Sassex v Yorkshire

EASTBOURNE: Sussex (4pts), with eight first-lankings wickests standing, are 312 runs behind Yorkshire (3). Sussex won toss

A McGrath c Sallsbury b Drakes Powling: Lawry 17-4-54-2; Drakes 27-5-99-5; Giddins 19-2-76-2; Law 9-0-61-0; Salisbury 17-11-42-2.

Bowling: Gough 4-1-4-0; Silverwood 5-2-23-0; Hardey 2-2-0-5-2. To bet: "A P Weeks, K Greenfield, M P Speight, D R C Low, TP Moores, I D K Salisbury, V C Drakes, E S H Giddins. Umplines: V A Holder and T E Jesty.

Tour matches First day of four; 11.0 today Surrey v South Africa A

THE OVAL Survey, with all first-limites: ets standing, are 369 runs belief S Africa A. South Africa A won toss

b but: Nadeem Shahu, A D Brown, A W ruth, I J Ward, *C C Lewis, 1) A Knot, R W wet, 5 G Kerkock, M W Peturson, wiling: Pringle 3-0-6-0; Gilder 2.1-1-3-0, ppirace K E Palmer and P Adams

One day

Scotland v Pakistan

7-133, 0-170, 9-173.

Rowling: AB-ur-Rehmen 4-0-24-1; Mohammad Alvain 7-2-38-0; Mushtaq Ahmed 9-2-21-1; Shahid Nadi 9-3-1-31-4; Saqisin Mushtaq 10-0-35-4; Aelf Mushba 6-1-20-0.

Umpires: D Walker and D M Potter.

England v New Zealand OLD TRAFFORD: England have scored 203 for 8 against New Zenland.

Under-19 Test

First day of four; 11.0 today

J Sales not out
A Shah c Periane b Vettori
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6-2-14-1; Morland 20-6-46-2.

NEW ZEALANDS: M D Belt, M D J Walker, M R Parlane, "O D McMillent, J D P Orarn, J A Youch, S J Cunts, 16 J Hookins, D 1, Vetton, N D Morland, D G Sewed, Umplreas: R Palmer and D R Shepherd.

BASH HOGG TROPHY from 6-boy): Edipheaton: Warwickine 200 for 6 (W D Knap 8). M Burns 77, M J Powell 67): Middlesex 284 for 6 (K P Dutch 82no, A J Strauss 64). Middlesex won by four wickets. Chaltasford: Sussex 298 for 7 (R Pho 89, T Raddord 100; N Derbyshire 4-79); Essex 299 for 4 (A Hibbert 172no). Essex won by she vickets.

MINOR COURTIES CHAMPIONSRIP (first day of two; 11.0 today); Lakenitaem; Nortofi, 176 (D R Thomas 43; D F Rails 4-41) and 5 for D. Combindigeshire 179 for 3 (S Mo-hammed 57).

Starting today BAIN HOGG TROPHY (one day; 11.0): Lyd-ney: Gloucestershire y Wornessershire, Ede-

GOODWOOD

unkkon, D E Malcolm, K J Dean, Bowling: Watsh 13-3-63-2; Smith 7-0-33-0; Vieyne 9-2-27-1; Lewis 6-2-20-0; Symonds

2.15: 1. BENATOM (Pot Eddev) 9-2 fav 2. Montal Pressure 7-1; 3. Ambou 11 ran. 1'4, 2'4. (H Ceci, Newmark) £4.60; £2.10, £1.60, £3.00. Duel Fo £9.70. CSF. £30.81. Tricast: £287.64. Tric

2.45; 1. EASYCALL (8 Dovel 7-2; 2. Raphane 7-4 LN; 3. Roman Imp 11-1 7 ran. 3. ". (8 Moehan, Lambourn). Tota: £4.60; £2.20. £1.90. DF: £4.60, CSF: 3.20: 1. GREY SHOT (Pot Eddery) 3-1; 2. Lear White 13-2; 3. Persian Punch 11-4 th. 7 ran. hd. 31... (I Bridger, Kryssiere). Toter £3.60: £1.80, £2.80. DF: £9.40. CSF:

3.50: 2. MOSCOW MIST (Declar O'Sheat 56-1; 2. Missile 9-4 fav; 3. Prince Baber 12-1; 4. Green Green Desert 16-1, 18 ran. sht nd. %, flady Hemos, Littlehamptont. Tete £82.60: £10.50, £1.60, £2.00, £2.50, DF. 4.25: 1. QUINTELLINA (K Darley) 5-4 fav;

2. Santiga 10-1: 3. Happy Go Linely 50-1. 15 ran. 2'... %. IL Curran, Neumaried). Total: £2-30: £1.40, £2.90, £6.00. DF; £9.10. CSF: 113.34. Tno: £387.50. NR: Pre 5.00: 2. FREDRIK THE FERRER IN Chalcyl 8-1; 2. Teer White 6-1; 3. Tep of The Form 4-1 tav. 11 ran. 1, 1, U Berry, Cockorhamil. Tobe: 69.0: 62.60, 62.20, 61.80, DF: 637 10. CSF: £48.56. Tresse: £198.13. Tres 735 10.

5.35: 1. KOATHARY (A Darley) 20-1; 2. Unjust Swift 25-1; 3, Harvay White 16-1; 4. Falty Kright 20-1; 18 ran, 5-1 to Yang Of Sports, 19, 29, 11, Cottrel, Cullempton). Yets: £54.00; £7.50, £10.00, £4.20, £4.30, Df. £586.60, CSF: £419.99, Incast: £7,457.89. The Jackpot: not won; £127,399.75 carried for ward to Goodwood today.

YARMOUTH

2.00: 1. RAMBOLD (R Perham) 7: 1: 2. In-ian Relative 12: 1: 3. Never Think Twice

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£1.70, £2.00. Dr. £11.80. CSF. £18.27. Tacast: £56.68. Tro: £26.30.
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6.50: 1. PAPUA (k Faton) 3-1; 2. Brave Act 13-8; 3. Foot Battallor 14-1, 5 ras. 11-8 for Farmog West (4th, 19., % il Batd-rigi, Totac £3.90; £1.80, £1.60, ØF. £5.30, CSF. £8.40.

SALISBURY 6.05; 1. HIGHLAND RHAPSODY (M Hills) 5-2 fav; 2. Redside Lady 14-1; 3. Yelson Hope 5-1, 16 ras, 2, 74, il Saiding). Total: £3,00; £1,50, £1,90, £2,10, Dual Forecast:

RACING RESULTS 28.70. Computer Straight Forecast: £35,95. Tho: £26.10. \$35: 2. CHIRES'S LAD (B Doyle) 11-1; 2. \$6: Forecast F.1; 3. Our Kris 9-2. 8 ram. 2-1 favourte Sétosa. 29, 4. (B Meenan). Totas: £13.00: £3.20. £1.70, £1.50. Dual Forecast: £33.10. CSF: £77.07. Thoast:

2.30:2 ABSTONE QUEEN (GCarter) 13-2; 2. Breffol 6-4 for: 3. Le Shuttle 6-1. 2 ran. 2½, hd. (P Evans, Wetshpool), Toter £7.50; £2.20, £1.20, £1.60. DF: £8.70. CSF: 3.05: 1. HEAD OVER HEELS (W Ryon) 4-6

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Avesome Venture 9-2; 3, WBd Palm 9-2; 8 ran. 11-4 kw Young Annabel (5th). Ni, sh-hd. (M Chapman, Market Rasen). Tota: 57-80; 51-60, 51-

DONCASTER 6.20: 1. OLD SCHOOL HOUSE (Mrs J Naughton) 13-2; 2. Arian Spirit 9-2; 3. Can-die Smoke 11-4 fav. 11 ran, 3%, hd. (7 J Naughton). Totes £7.00; £2.10, £2.00, £1.50. Dual Forecast: £14.00. Computer Smagnt Forecast: £36.69. Treast: £94.05.

amateur Willie Mullins and well ridden by 20-year-old junior champion David Casev, Mystical City battled back with real courage after being headed on landing at the final flight by Nor-man Williamson's mount Space Trucker. The second favourite, Khayrawani, was being tracked by the eventual second and third Space Trucker and Just Little (Charlie Swan) when Mystical City appeared pulling double on their outside at the second last. "I was in front rounding the last bend but Space Trucker got a quicker jump and landed just ahead over

the last. But she really flew again

for me," Casey commented lat-

Baseball

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es (b2, lb5, w2, nb18) . (for 6, 104 overs)

Mystical City, owned by B Cricket nine-member syndicate, threw the bookmakers a life line at the Galway Festival vesterday af-

John Carr, the Middlesex batsman, is retining at the end of the season to beex bateman, is

1966 WEBSTERS WORLD MATCHPLAY CHAMP-IONSHIP (Blackpool) Quarter-finals: P Exson bt S Downs (US) 11-3; D Smith bt J Harvey 11-5. Football

Paul Williams, the 30-year-old former Sheffield Wednesday and Charlton strik-Sheffield Wednesday and Charlton strik-er, is to have a trial period at Barnet. Transere will complete the signing of the 31-year-old Italian wano Bonetti from Grimsby next week when the team re-turn from a three-match tour of Ireland. Lam Brady, who is returning to Arse-nal as head of the club's youth devel-opment programme, will pull out of the constrount that has been trying to take control of his old club, Brighton, Telks between Albion's chairman, Bill Archer, and the consortium broke down last month following Brady's accusation that Archer had denied them access to the club's accounts. club's accounts.

WEDNOCOAYS LATE RESULTS: Pre-Seech Prisodlists Imercazionale S (Carbons, Branca 2) Marchester Uta C. Celto 2 (Dornelly, O'Donnell Assena 1 (Doon); Wolse D Chebas 1 (Was peru:

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Coin Montgomerie, who shot a first-round three-under-par 69, was caught up in a sooring dispute at the Volvo Scan-dinavian Masters at Kungsbacka, Swe-den, yesterday – because some of the caddies had received the wrong colour bibs to wear. Montgomerie's score was not officially confirmed until three hours after he had given a press inter-view, at which he joked: "I can assure you I scored a 69 though I got David's scores and he got mine." scores and he got mine.

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Devers a class act on and off the track

Ken Jones salutes an American champion who has leamed to take disappointment in her stride

In her blocks at the Olympic Stadium on Wednesday night, brown eves still, finger nails like talons, Gail Devers was again

As in Barcelona four years ago when she fell at the last while leading. Devers was within sight of hecoming the first woman since Fanny Blankers-Koen to win the 100 metres and 100m burdles at one Olympics

In accord with that fact, an audience made up mostly of Americans gave Devers a warm and encouraging reception. She smiled, just briefly, and went to her mark, lost in concentration.

You could not help wondering what was going on in Devers's mind. The tumble in Spain, overcoming the disease that crippled her for more than a year and almost led to the amputation of a foot?

Five places to the left of Devers crouched the favourite. Ludmila Enquist, once of Russla, who was given permission only three weeks ago to race in Sweden's colours. A roar went up at the gun hut it

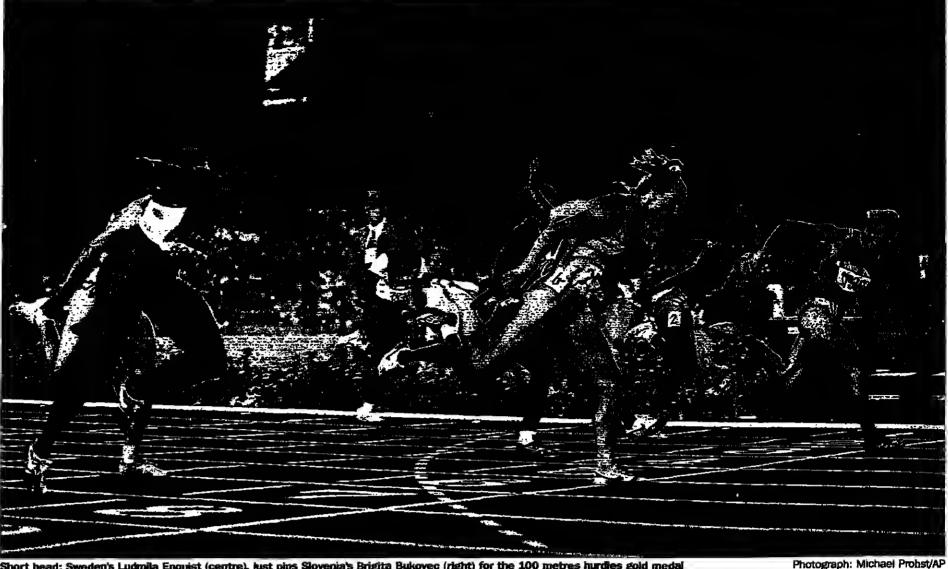
would not be the winner. The tall, 32 -year-old Enquist lasted longest, edging out Brigita Bukovec of Slovenia in 12.58 seconds. Devers, running stride for stride with the French contender. Patricia Girard-Leno, finished out of the medals, heaten for the hronze in a photo-finish.

Nobody has ever been able to

lay down a rule determining how much disappointment sports performers must take before it becomes an excuse for childish behaviour. In any case, Devers proved herself a class act, offering nothing hut amiable acceptance of failure, "No excuses," she said. "It wasn't meant to be." Having long since got life into perspective, she added, "I can't even say that I'm disappointed. '

"I did better than Barcelona. I crawled [literally] into fifth there, I was fourth here, and I finished on my feet. Believe me I wanted to get over 10 hurdles. I did. 1 didn't hit one."

Probably, the last time Devers shed real tears was when the disabling effect of Graves disease meant that she even had



Short head: Sweden's Ludmila Enquist (centre), just pips Slovenia's Brigita Bukovec (right) for the 100 metres hurdles gold medal

So, nothing to embarrass any-one. Unlike Linford Christie, who churlishly brushed aside interrogators after failing to qualify for the 200m semi-final, Devers stood around for 10 minutes, flashing her smile and famously long fingeroails. In truth, Devers was never re-

ally in contention. Her coach, Bohby Kersee, said: "Because Gail has been short of competition this season, she was floating over hurdles rather than

Enquist had the technique off pat, the threat of her presence confirmed by a driving finish. As Ludmila Narozhilenko, she was world champion in 1991 before testing positive for steroids. The scandal would have a unique twist. By then in the midst of an acrimonious divorce, she claimed that her ex-husband

had spiked her vitamins. As excuses go it seemed pretty far-fetched but last Defirst marriage involved the man cember a four-year ban imposed in 1993 was lifted by the ager and coach. "To begin with

Russian courts and Enquist was reinstated by the Interoational Amateur Athletics Federation under the exceptional circumstance rule.

On Wednesday night, Enquist established herself fully as an outstanding athlete. "I went through a lot to get here," she said, "and 1 knew 1 could take the gold medal."

The hreak up of Enquist's who is now her husband, man1 was Ludmila's agent but the relationship developed into something deeper," Johan Enquist said

Officially granted Swedish citizenship only two months ago, Ludmila repaid the favour by winning her new country's first gold medal in 20 years. With her fingernails painted blue and her long hlond hair drawn tight by a blue and yellow hand, Enquist looked the picture of Nordic womanhood, hut Sweden is divided over her right to

appear in the national colours. There is something manipulative in all this as there appears to be now in most things Olympic. However, Swede or Russian, nothing can devalue

race of her life. It was all that mattered to Enquist and her husband. "It was only on the fifth of July that Russia granted Ludmila the right to represent Sweden, so it's been an anxious time for us,7 Johan Enquist said. They kissed Kipling's poem perfectly.

the fact that Enquist ran the

for the cameramen and went off

What Devers left us with was a sense of maturity not always evident in Olympic competition. After beating Gwen Tor-rence in a photo-finish to take the 100m gold she heard hurtful suggestions of a hometown decision, But more than most athletes today, Devers is able to look on victory and defeat as merely events in the wider scheme of things. She fits

Britain's sprint relay team go in search of gold

Britain's 400 metres relay run- Johnson will be there but everyners, buoyed up by Roger Black's silver medal in the individual event, will set out today to revive their country's flagging fortunes on the track. They will be seeking to do at least as well as Black did in finishing behind Michael Johnson. and hoping there may he a

faint glimpse of gold.

If Britain are to emulate their 400m relay victory in the 1991 make mistakes, as they did on that occasion in Tokyo, Black, who played his part in that win, said yesterday: "This is the best British 4x400 relay squad ever assemhled. There is no point in going on to the track unless you are going out to win. We know Michael

one remembers '91 and all our team will be going for it."

Linford Christie's last Olympic fling also starts today as Britain's sprint telay team seek to qualify for tomorrow's final. Christie, who failed to reach the 200 metres semi-finals, was attempting to adopt a philosophical viewpoint as he looked forward to today's events.

"I am still Linford Christic." they will need the Americans to as an Olympic champion. It will be the same in the relay -1 will go out there and do what I have done all along." The 36-year-old Briton, trau-

matised by his disqualification from the 100m final on Saturday night for two false starts, was not expected to do great things in the 200m, but he must have hoped to progress further. He has at least mended his fences with the man who accused him of affecting his concentration before the 100m final when he disputed the disqualification, Ato Boldon.
"Just so everybody knows,"
Boldon said. "Christie and I

have kissed and made up, like real men should." While Britain can only hope for an athletics gold now, Swefrom these Games with rare titles. Ludmila Enquist's victory for her adopted country in the 100m hurdles was Sweden's first

track gold since Anders Garderud won the steeplechase in 1976, while Vebjoern Rodal's achievement in winning the 800m brought Norway their first

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track gold in Olympic history. Rodal tracked the 36-year-old American Johnny Gray until the final bend, when he accelerated to register an Olympic record of 1min 42.58sec and beall-time. His achievement, which was swiftly marked by a message of congratulation from Nor-way's Prime Minister, Gro Harlem Brundtland, establishes him as one of the men most likely to break Sebastian Coe's 15year-old world record of 1min 41.73sec, the longest standing

record in the track programme.

Hezekiel Sepeng, who became the first black South

Both their medallists in pair of Kim Batten and Tonja

Sepeng, who heat his own Buford-Bailey, who had won African towin an Olympic medal by taking silver in 1:42.74, is another contender, as is the Kenyan-born Wilson Kipketer, who leads this year's world rank-

ings with 1:42.51 but has not yet

gained full Danish nationality

The IOC require him to reside in Denmark for another year. Sepeng, 22, only took up seter realising he would not make it as a professional footballer; he ran initially without shoes because he could not afford them. It had been his aim to win an Olympic medal since 1992, when South Africa were allowed back

into the Games after a 30-year

ban for their apartheid policies.

South African record, said:

"The record was for me hut the medal is for my country." He then pointed to and repeated the words scrawled with a marker pen on his running vest: "God help me, give me power."

Deon Hemmings, who suc-ceeded the injured Sally Gunnell as 400m hurdles champion, run-up to the Games. The Jamaican, who trains in Austin. Texas, came across a magazine article forecasting a clean sweep of medals for the American trio. She scored them out, and wrote

her own name at the top. And lo, it came to pass, as she finished in an Olympic record of

Buford-Bailey, who had won gold and silver respectively at last year's World Championships. It was the second record

Gunnell lost on the night - Angie Thorp beat her eight-year-old British 100m hurdles mark of 12.82, recording 12.80 hut missing a place in the final. Ashia Hansen, who has previously faltered on the hig oc-

women's triple jump final in Olympic history. But her distance of 14.49m only earned her fifth place hehind lnessa Kravets of the Ukraine, who won with 15.33, the second longest lump ever behind her own world record of 15.50.

has fled Atlanta after pulling out of the Olympics with an injury, an associate in his home town said yesterday. "Sergei was so upset that he simply ran away from Atlanta. No one knows where he is now." Mikhail Tyutyunyk, commercial director of Bubka's sports cluh in the eastern Ukrainian city of Donetsk, said by telephone. "He seems to have decided to this shock. Bubka withdrew on Wednes-

plon Sergei Bubka of Ukraine

day because of an Achilles tendon injury, complaining of severe pain. The holder of 35 world records warmed up for the final with the bar set at 5.70 metres, but picked up his belongings and left the arena.

SCARLET FACES IN ATLANTA

Yesterday's Olympic bloomers

band any favours when she allegedly kneed a policewoman in the groin when the officer tned to stop the couple jaywalking in Atlanta's streets. Dick Pound, a former Ca-

nadian Olympic swimmer and a top man on the International Olympic Committee, had some explaining to do after 56vear-old Julie was charged with obstruction, abusive language and battery.

The battling spouse had to be handcuffed, according to the arresting officer's report, which added that Pound had the odour of alcohol on her breath and continued to act ina-

The arrest was seen as an

Julie Pound did not do her hus- embarrassment to the IOC, which already has strained relations with Atlanta Games organisers after a senes of logistical glitches.

However, the IOC spokeswoman, Michele Verdier, said that the organisation was not getting involved in the case. "It's a private matter, it's a police matter, we don't have to interfere," she said. "We are all human beings

and I consider when I walk in the street and I misbehave, not during IOC duties, it is not an official matter. It's private life."

"We can't control what happens in the street and that's the reason why we consider this to be a private matter."

Novotna on the attack

The Olympic singles exposed a rift in the women's doubles partnership of Jana Novotna and Arantra Sanchez Vicario. Novotna lost to Sanchez Vicario 6-4, I-6, 6-3 in Wednesday's singles semi-finals, then claimed to be the more popular player. No-votna also accused her friend and partner on the tour of poor

"She's been questioning every call there is, even when there's no reason for it." Novotna said. "That's really upsetting because you wouldn't expect that from a player of her calibre. You would expect a little bit more fair play. She doesn't do it only to me. She does it with everybody."

Sanchez Vicario denied questioning calls. "I was just doing



my job and concentrating and playing well," the Spaniard said.

Maybe she was disappointed because every time she has a chance, she lost against me."

In singles, Sanchez Vicario has won seven of 13 matches against Novotna. They have been playing doubles together on the WTA Tour since 1994, but Novoma said they are friends

only "in a professional way". "I know when I step on the court that I'm a more popular player than she is," the Czech said. "Whatever she's doing or whenever she's like that, she has to live with it."

Sanchez Vicario said: "It's hard to have close friends on the tour because there is a lot of rivalry. But we have a good relationship off the court. We have a good partnership when we play doubles hat singles is different. Later, Novotna and Sanchez

Vicario returned for a doubles semi-final - this time against each other. Novotna and Helena Sukova beat Sanchez Vicario and Conchita Martinez 6-2, 7-6. Vicario's opponent in today's singles final will be Lindsay Davenport, who was in tears after she had beaten her

best friend and American teammate, Mary Joe Fernandez, in a contest neither wanted. "I'm sorry," Davenport told Fernandez at the net after winning the semi-final 6-27-6. Laier in the dressing-rooms she

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The years since a woman div-

er won two gold medals at the same Olympic Games. China's Fu Mingria, a world champion at 12, added the three-metre springboard crown to her 10m platform title to equal the record of ingrid Kramer, of East Germany, at the 1960 Games in Rome. The key to my success is my technical skills," Fu said.
"My performance was quite consistent and t'm prepared psychologically. I was pretty



Nigeria produced an amazing men's semi-final comeback to beat Brazil 4-3 m sudden-death extra time on Wednesday in Athens, Georgia, and leave their South American oppo-

utes into extra time.

nents in floods of tears. Nwankwo Kanu, who equalised in the last minute of normal time, danced through the Brazilian defence to score the "golden goal" winner four min-

Brazil, who have never won an Olympic gold despite win-ming the World Cup four times, led 3-1 with only 13 minutes left. Flavio Conceição put them ahead with a deflected free-kick in the second minute but his team-mate Roberto Carlos miscued a clearance into his own net to gift the Nigerians an equaliser in the 20th minute.

Brazil regained the lead eight minutes later when the Africans' goalkeeper, Joseph Do-su, spilled a Ronaldinho shot and Bebeto knocked in the rebound. Nine minutes later Juninho capped a fine move by



using his chest to set up Con-ceicão for his second goal. Nigeria's Austin Okocha missed a 63rd-minute penalty, but Victor lkpeba pulled one back with a fine shot in the 77th minute, set-

ting the stage for Kanu's hero-

ics. The Africans now face Argentina in tomorrow's final.

The defeat raises questions about the future of Brazil's veteran coach, Mario Zagallo, who is also in charge of the full national side. "In the first half we did everything we needed to win the game," he said, "hut Nigeria never gave in and they won on merit." Zagallo has heen criticised for asking too much of Europe-based players such as Juninho and Roberto Carlos, who both spent the last European close-season playing in the Copa America.

'Unworthy' Campese

Rugby Union

David Campese, who is considering offers from three English clubs, was yesterday declared to be unworthy of his place in the Australian Test side.

Paul McLean, the former Australian captain, said Campese should he left stranded on uo career Tests. McLean, a former chairman of selectors, questioned Campese's place in the side after Joe Roff was dropped from the team to play South Africa in Australia's final Tri-Nations series Test match in Blocmfontein tomorrow. New Zealand have already won the series.

Campese has shown nothing to deserve to be in the Wallaby side ahead of Roff, according to McLean, and the 33-year-old should not be considered for the end-of-season tour to Italy, Ireland, Scotland and England. Campese hopes to play his ken toe, passed a fitness test and 100th Test in the first match will pack down with hooker against Italy on that tour.

McLean said that Campese should be overlooked for the tour as the world's leading tryscorer has said that he wishes to play out his career with cither Saracens, Harlequins or Sale next year.

"I believe he's not going to play for us next year, so what's the point?" McLean said. "It's a terrific opportunity to blood someone else.

The New South Wales lock John Wellborn will make his Test debut for Australia against South Africa tomorrow. The 25year-old is the only new cap in the side. The experienced No 8 Tim Gavin will play in his preferred position while Michael Brial moves to the flank.

The prop Dan Crowley, who has been suffering from a hro-

Michael Foley and tight-head Andrew Heath.

AUSTRALIA (Tri-Natious Test v South Abrico, Bloomfontain, tomorrow): M Burie: B Ture, D Herbert, P Howard, II Carmoses: S Bower, G Gregan: A Heath, M Foley, D Crow-ley, Leaes Kapts, J Welborn, D Wilson, T Garn M Bruit, Reptacements: J Roff, R Tombs, S Payrie, D Martu, M Caputo, R Harry

■ The Great Britain sprinter Jason John is having trials with the Second Division side Moseley. John, who was left out of the Olympic squad, has decided to switch sports and Moseley are prepared to offer him a professional contract if he impresses in their early-season

Bridgend have signed the Canadian international scrumhalf John Graf to replace their Welsh international star Robert Howley, who has joined Cardiff. Barbarians team v Scotland,

Green light for Offiah

hroke down in tears.

Rugby League DAVE HADFIELD

London Broncos have finally sorted out the complex business of signing Martin Offiah and will unveil their new acquisition this morning.

A press conference has been called at a London hotel, signalling that the Broncos, Bedford Rugby Union Club and, equally important, News Limited, with whom Offiah has a "loyalty" contract, have reached an agreement on the division of the player's time during the overlap of the two rugby seasons. A meeting between the parties vesterday broke up with

smiles all round "The matter is now in the hands of the lawvers but with a very positive stance." Alan Mc-Sporting Digest, page 22 | Colm. Offiah's agent, said.

That final tuning will allow hut we played for 50 minutes London to go ahead with their with 12 men. It shows what a official announcement today, with the 29-year-old winger, sold by Wigan to lighten a crippling wage bill, to make his dehut against Warrington at The Valley on Sunday.

Bedford, the Courage Second Division club with whom Offiah will relaunch his union career, will make their own announcement next week.

Justin Bryant, the former London player sent off by the referee Colin Morris within four minutes of coming on at Leeds to make his debut for Paris. was cleared by the League's disciplinary committee yesterday over the alleged use of the forearm.

The referee simply got it wrong," said the Paris coach, John Kear. "The committee has had the guts to put it right

with 12 men. It shows what a good system it is for referees to put players on report when there is some doubt." Bryant is now able to play

against Halifax on Sunday, but Ian Russell is returning to Australia with a cracked sternum. London's Australian captain, Terry Matterson, will make his

international debut next week for Scotland. Matterson, who qualifies through a Scottish grandfather, is one of four Australians (Matterson's teammates Darren Shaw and Duncan McRae, and the Carlisle hooker Danny Russell are the others) who will face Ireland at Partick Thistle on Tuesday. The side will be captained by the Leeds fullback Alan Tait, who is exploring the possibilities of a return to rugby union, in which he won caps for Scotland.

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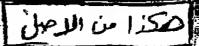
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sport: Highlights: 0500-1615. Live cover from 1615



Britain's prospects of a Olympic team show jumping medal were looking dismal yesterday afternoon as a rainstorm brought the competition to a standstill towards the end of the first round in the Nations' Cup at Georgia's loternational Horse Park

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eritt.

After the 40-minute deluge, the arena looked like a lake and the competition had to be delayed for a further hour while efforts were made to dry out the surface. At that stage. Germany were on target for a team gold despite a bad fall by their world champion, Franke Sloothank. A cut on his right wrist required stitching.

The Netherlands, the 1992 gold medallists, have had a clear round from Jan Tops and the United States are in a strong position with a clear run from Anne Kursinski.

The British team, last to go of the 19 nations, had a disappointing start when Nick Skelton's Show Time put a foot in the water and then kicked out the back rail at the first part of the double - a massive triple bar with a two-metre spread - to finish his first round with eight faults.

Michael Whitaker then collected 16 faults on Two Step who, according to the team trainer Malcolm Pyrah, was

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"fazed" by the occasion. Whitaker had to use his whip coming into the big parallel at the second, but Two Step still hit the obstacle. He then knocked a brick out of the wall at seven, put a foot in the water and knocked down the last part of the double.

There was more gloom in the British camp wheo Geoff British camp wheo Geoff
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came the third team member to fault at the water before going nn to hit the last two jumps. He finished on 12 faults. The ramstorm arrived before John Whitaker's round could be started.

The Appeal Committee of the international equestrian federation, the FEL visited Pine Top Farm on Wednesday night to verify the German rider Matthias Baumann's evidence of alleged illegal training practices used there by the Argentinian team, who were competing on Wednesday.



Michael Whitaker: 16 faults

allegations show a wire strung 20cm above the top rail of a jump and another top pole with protruding nails. Neither

Tonga's historic moment

Paea Wolfgram won Tonga's first Olympic medal in one of the great upsets of Olympic history yesterday when he beat the Cuban super-heavyweight Alexis Rubalcaba in their quarter-final yesterday to guarantee himself at least a bronze.

The bout followed another significant defeat for the highly rated Cubans when the United States featherweight Floyd Mayweather beat Lorenzo Aragon. Mayweather's 12-11 victory made him the first American to beat a Cuban boxer in the Olympics since 1976 when Leon Spinks, who went on to become the world heavyweight champion, beat Sixto So-



ria in the 1976 light-heavyweight final. The United States boycotted the 1980 Moscow Olympics and Cuba boycotted the following two Games. The two defeats left the

Cubans with seven semi-finalists who are guaranteed medals and the US team with six. The Tongan, a relatively in-

experienced fighter with 23 bouts to his name and whose last fight before the Olympics

Medals table

was in March, had been given no chance against the best super-heavyweight in the world's best amateur boxing team.

"When you're Cuban and you come to the Olympics, you're ready for King Kong," he joked later. Wolfgram staggered the Cuban in the first round, inflicting a standing count with 1min 47sec to go. A second followed with 15 seconds remaining in the first round as the Tongan felled the Cubarr with a left.

Belfast's Damaen Keily could not produce another hig finish and missed a flyweight medal. Kelly lost 13-6 to the world No 1. Bulst Dzumadilov, in the quarter-finals.

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS FROM ATLANTA

Archery

MiSN: Individual 70m third round: M Franghi (t) 170 bt S Zabrodeky (Ukr) 160: J Hush (US) 169 bt Hash Sheng-Feng (Isk) 162: P Vermelren (Bel) 161 bt S Medved (Sloven) 159: L Toms (Fr) 166 bt J An-chondo (Med 158: Oh Kyo-moon (S Kor) 167 bt M Grov (Not) 159: Kim Bo-ram (S Kor) 162 bt T Policolainen (Fin) 160; M Po-tersoon (Swe) 167 bt M Besians (t) 163; Jang Yang-ho (S Kor) 162 bt R Johnson (US) 160.

Athletics

MEN: Decathlon: Positions (after seven exercit): 10 O'Brien (US) 8.428 (100mm 10.50sec, long Jump: 7.77m, short 15.66m, high jump: 2.07m, 400mm 15.66m, high jump: 2.07m, 400mm 16.82sec, 110m hurdes: 13.87sec, discus; 48.78m; 2 E Harmsteinen (Bela) 8.295 (10.85, 7.48, 16.32, 1.98, 48.91, 13.95, 49.62): 3 F Busemann (Ger) 6.280 (10.60, 8.07, 13.60, 2.04, 48.34, 13.47, 7.49, 15.57, 2.04, 48.83, 14.10, 48.72); ST Dvorak (12 Rep) 6.217 (10.64, 7.60, 15.82, 1.98, 48.29, 13.79, 46.28); 2 S Fitz (US) 6.198 (10.90, 7.77, 15.31, 2.04, 50.13, 13.87, 49.84); 7 A Penaher (Sp) 6.099 (10.95, 7.27, 18.91, 2.07, 50.41, 14.35, 48.92); 8 C Plazint (Fr) 6.069 (10.85, 7.82, 14.85, 2.04, 49.07, 14.52, 45.34); B R Geniyev (Utbek) 6.039 (10.84, 7.61, 14.71, 2.13, 49.14, 14.83, 44.86); 10 J Magnusson (Ice) 6.034 (10.67, 7.28, 15.52, 1.95, 47.17, 14.22, 43.78); 11 E Nool (Eso) 8.028 (10.65, 7.88, 14.01, 2.01, 47.26, 15.03, 42.98); 12 V Nolpakov (Utr) 6.005 (11.15, 7.53, 14.33, 2.07, 48.12, 14.30, 45.66); 13 S Chmara (Pol) 5.943 (11.28, 7.75, 14.51, 2.10, 48.75, 14.59, 42.60); 14 K Damasek (Cz Rep) 5.909 (10.86, 7.22, 15.51, 2.01, 47.35, 14.94, 42.66); 15 M Smith (Can) 5.902 (11.08, 7.47, 16.97, 1.95, 51.97, 14.78, 49.54); 16 R Zmellik (Cz Rep) 5.834 (10.67, 7.50, 14.46, 1.95, 48.81, 14.79, 41.94); 18 F Benet (Sp) 5.824 (10.95, 7.30, 13.91, 1.98, 48.67, 14.36, 44.30); 19 F Müller (Ger) 5.736 (10.95, 7.25, 14.69, 195, 49.05, 14.88, 45.34); 21 M Dost (Neth) 5.650 (11.24, 7.33, 13.59, 2.07, 50.93, 14.46, 41.24); 22 Z Nescendosi (Neth) 5.650 (11.24, 7.33, 13.59, 2.07, 50.93, 14.46, 41.24); 22 Z Nescendosi (Neth) 5.650 (11.24, 7.33, 13.59, 2.07, 50.93, 14.46, 41.24); 22 Z Nescendosi (Neth) 5.650 (11.24, 7.33, 13.59, 2.07, 50.93, 14.46, 41.24); 22 Z Nescendosi (Neth) 5.650 (11.24, 7.33, 13.59, 2.07, 50.93, 14.46, 41.24); 22 Z Nescendosi (Neth) 5.650 (11.24, 7.33, 13.59, 2.07, 50.93, 14.46, 41.24); 22 Z Nescendosi (Neth) 5.650 (11.24, 7.33, 13.59, 2.07, 50.93, 14.46, 41.24); 22 Z Nescendosi (Neth) 5.650 (11.24, 7.33, 13.59, 2.07, 50.93, 14.46,

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5.58, 0, 198, 49.52, 14.69, 43.42).
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Rostadnova (Bul); T Waller (US); S Za-levšenya (Kazakistan) ali 1,93m; 2 0 Bol-shove (Moldova) 1,93; B C Reaberry (US) 1,90; 10 S Cadusch (Swit); O Marti (GB) 1,85; 12 N Majere (Tiri) 1,85; 13 J Rosenio (Dom Rep) 1,80; 14 S Municova (Uzbek) 1,80; 15 I Tiendrebeogo (Burláne Faco) 1,80; 17 Motiova (Rus); N Zilinskiene (Litri) 1,93; 5 B Balac (Sloven) 1,93; 8 Z Kovacilova (Cz. Rep) 1,93; 7 T Khramova (Bela) 1,90; 8 K Bergovist (Swe) 1,90; 9 L Haggerti (GB) 1,90; 10 I Quintero (Cuba) 1,90; 11 Y Iyakhova (Rus); V Styopina (Ukr) 1,85; 13 I Gáznutsa (Mol 1,85; 14 A Acudí (US); A Javad (Slovekia) 1,85; 14 V Vene-va (Bul) 1,80; No martic A Inversity (Aus),

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∞ Canoeing

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MEN: 1,000m keyak singles: First seni-final: 1.8 Boromi (f) 3min 40.83esc; 2 K Holmann (No7) 3:41.63; 3 L Liwowski (F0) 3:43.39; 5 S Custrin (Bra) 3:44.44; 6 A Sztrum (Arg) 3:44.5; 7 M Hartool (US) 3:44.68; 8 J Garcia (Por) 3:48.85; 9 I Lawler (GB) 3:55.58.
Second semi-final: 1 C Robinson (Aus) 3:43.65; 2 M Popesou (Rom) 3:44.24; 8 A Calderon (Sp) 5:44.77; 4 M Kolehmainen (Fn) 3:45.61; S R Erben (Slovek) 3:46.63; 6 H Helde (Est) 3:47.23; 7 Z Kammerer (Harg) 3:49.55; 8 V Oile (Fn) 3:51.53; 9 V Tereshchenko (Ukr) 3:56.64, Finalists: Bonomi, Holmann, Liwowski, Gajewski, Robinson, Popesou, Calderon, kolehmainen, Custrin.

Gajewski, Robinson, Popescu, Celderon, Kolehmainen, Custtrin.

1,000m kayak peirs: First semi-finel: 1. Italy (A Rosal and D Scarpe) 3:16.84; 2. Denmark (T Nielsen and J Stael) 3:17.42; 3. Sulgana (M Kezanov and A Dushev) 3:18.43; 4. Hungary (R Hegadus and P Almast) 3:19.52; 8. Australia (B Leury and P Scott) 3:19.05; 8. Slovakia (J Kadner and A Szabo) 3:20.90; 7. Czech Republic (P Husker, R Kucera) 3:24.03; 8. Argentina (A Szinum and J Correa) 3:28.12, Second sami-finel: 1. Poland (D Bialkowski and G Kotowicz) 3:18.02; 2. France (P Lancereau and P Lubac) 3:18,72; 3. Germany (K Bluhm and T Gutsche) 3:19.39; 4. Sweden (M Oscarson and S Malmsten) 3:19.65; 5. United States (J Mooney and P Newton) 3:19.83; 8. Portugal (R Fernandes and J Queiros) 3:22.27; 7. Russia (A karak and A Tisn) 3:22.30; 8. Lithuania (V Kupcinskas and V Mizeres) 3:24.46; 9. Britain (G Bourne and P Darby-Dowman) 3:25.34.
Finalistis: Raly, Denmark, Bulgaria, Hungary, Poland, France, Germany, Sweden, Australia.

1,000m Canadian singles: First semi-float 1,1 Sabjan (Cros) 4:13,90; 2 V Pari-not (Rom) 4:14,33; 3 A Nielsson (Den) 4:14,57; 4 J Kubica (Slovek) 4:22,77; 5

K Negodysyev (Kazak) 4:26.26; 6 G Marokell (Can) 4:27.72; 7 J Harper (US) 4:39.94. 4.39.94. Second semi-final: 1 | Nemertyev (Lst) 4:10.46; 2 | P Sylvoz (Fr) 4:11.48; 8 | N Bulrielov (Bul) 4:14.41; 4 | M Crespo (Sp) 4:15.93; 5 V Salcutan (Mol) 4:16.63; 6 Y Astanin (Libel) 4:19.15; 7 S Pereira (Por)

its: Sabjan, Partnoi, Klementyev,

4:31.19. Finalists: Sebjan, Partnoi, Klementyev, Syhrz, Buldhalov.

1,000m Cauadian pairs semi-final (first two in each semi-final to final plus best loser); First semi-final 1 and 6:3 Ukraine IO Lybynenko and 0 limpyev) 3:48.84; 4 Crostis (D Runtak and I Sabjan) 3:48.67; 5 Poland (I Golles; and D Kosylowski) 3:48.72; 8 Uzbekstan (V Shayslemov and S Shayslemov) 3:57.03.

Second semi-final: 1 Moldove (N Juravschi and V Renelschi) 3:44.00; 2 Showles (C Orosz and P Pales) 3:44.62; 8 Spain (J Bea and 0 Shelestenko) 3:45.61; 4 Kozakhstan (S Sergevev and K Nurmeganbetov) 3:51.36; 5 Cach (P Bedner and P Fulsa) 3:51.57; 8 Sozeh (P Bedner and P Fulsa) 3:51.57; 8 Sozeh (P Bedner and P Fulsa) 3:51.57; 8 Sozeh (P Bedner and P Fulsa) 3:51.57; 8 Carada 3:01.30; 8 Bulgaria 3:01.42; 4 Ulivaine 3:05.64; 5 Czoch 3:06.61; 6 United States 3:06.85; 8 Czoch 3:08.61; 6 United States 3:06.85; 8 Uzbekistan 3:11.14. Finalists: Spain, Canada, Australia, Sweden, Bulgaria.

den, Bulgana.

WOMEN: 500m kayak fours: First semifinel: 1 Canada 1min 38.71sec; 2 Russa 1:39.76; 8 Romania 1:40.08; 4

Ukraine 1:40.09; 5 Czach Republic
1:42.21; 8 lapan 1:45.99.
Second semi-finel: 1 Hungary 1:37.14;
2 Spain 1:37.36; 3 Australia 1:37.90; 4

United States 1:40.04; 5 Izbekistan
1:40.89; 8 Mesco 1:42.15.

Finalists: Canada, Russa, Hungary, Spain,
Australia.

⋘ Gymnastics

RHYTHANIC: All-round Individual prelim-inary round: 1 E Serebyanskayu (Ukr) 19.615pts; 2 E Vitrichenko (Ukr) 19.600; 3 T Ogyzko (Belarus) 19,500; 4 A Zaripo-va (Rus) 19,466; S L Loukianenko (Bela) 19.416; 8 A Tostado (Sp) 19.200; 7 M Brzeska (Ger) 19.149; 8 l Betyrchina (Rus) 13.00; 12 A Stoica (Rom) 18.99; 13

M Petrove (Bul) 18,983; 14 A Costas (Sp.)
18,932; 15 K Sroka (Ger) 18,848; 15 X
Zhou (China) 18,832; 17 M Yamada
(Japan) 18,700; 16 (Germin (ft) 18,816;
19 V Frater (Hung) 18,582; 20 8 Schleifn
(Aut) 18,515; 21 K Lestdewicz (Pol)
18,500; 22 A Yameo (Japan) 18,466; 23
B Wu (China) 18,465; 24 L Outehlove (Cz
Rep.) 18,431; 25 A Iovátniewska (Pol)
18,399; 26 A Abrama (Geo) 18,333; 27
J Devis (US) 18,366; 28 K Pietrosenti (ft)
18,333; 29 O Carteleanu (Rom) 18,316; 30
K Küulewictus (Lith) 18,282; 31 N
Raborsky (Aut) 18,266; 32 C Stollenberg
(Bel) 18,265; 33 E Sotiriou (Gre) 18,216; 34 A Sebestove (Cz Rep.) 18,148; 35 A
Szatay (Hung) 18,033; 38 K Kalpałe (Fn)
17,982; 37 C Martens (Can) 17,915.

889 Handball

89 Hockey

MEN: 7th-8th place play-off: Great Britain (Shaw, Lasiett, Wyatt, Mayer) 4 In-dia 3 (Baljeet Singh Seini, Ramandeep Singh, Pargart Singh), 9th-10th: Argentina 3 South Africa 2. 11th-12th: Maleysia 4 (Lim Chiow Chuan, Mirnawan Nawawa, Lim

₩ Tennis

MENt Singles semi-finat S Bruguera (Sp) bt F Meligeni (Bra) 7-6 6-2.

Wolleyball

MEN: Classification: Brazil 3 Argentins 1 (15-10 15-3 13-15 15-8); Cubs 3 Bul-garis 1 (15-4 15-12 16-17 15-12).

Wrestling FREESTYLE Proliminary round

LIGHT-TYWEIGHT (48kg): A Mirchyan (Ar-menia) bt V Railean (Mol) pus; Kim II (N Kor) bt Jung Soon-won (S Kor) pts. Hory of Jung Soon-won (s Kor) pre-FlyWHelefut (Szleg): A Achilov (Lizhek) bt. A Kardanov (Gre) technical supenority; N Abdullayev (Azer) bt L. Rossalt (US) pre; H Sassyame (Japan) bt. R Kollar (Slovak) pre; D. Lagrand (Fr) bt G. Fizgerald (Aus) tech-nical supenority; G. Mohammadi (Iran) bt. C. Gortzalez (Cube) pts; M. Marryrov (Kazzik) bt. G. Wooderoff (Can) technical superiori-rov V. Jordanov (Rull by Mohigiayer (Mex).

V Tohuzov (Uliv) bt O Kedjaouer (Alg) technical superiority; C Mongash (Rus) bt C Cordunaenu (Rom) pts; N Abdullayev (Azer) bt H Sassyama (Japen) technical superiority; A Achilov (Uzbek) bt M Topaldas (Turk) pts; R Kollar (Slovai) bt C Goruzalez (Cuba) pts; G Woodcroft (Cerl) bt G Fitzgerald (Aus); V Jordanov (Bull) bt C M nighsh (Rus) pts; G Mohammadi (Iran) bt D Legrand (Fr) pts; O Kedjaouer (Alg) bt V Rodinguez (Mex) pts. FEATHERWHAIMT #224cht T Wada (Japen) O Kedjaouer (Alg) bt V Rodriguez (Mex) pts. FEATHERWEIGHT (622gg): T Wede (Jepan) bt S Mumpjev (Rom) technical superiority; E Cubes (Peru) bt J Kizeslak (Pol) pts; E Tedeyev (Uko) bt T du Plessis (SA) pts; I Demeter (Hung) bt T A Nieves (PF) pts; T Brends (US) bt A Kenan (Iran) pts; S Small (Bela) bt M Muller (Swit) pts; G Schilleci (It) bt L Zaslavsky (Aus); J Schelbe (Ger) bt M Calder (Can) pts; M Azzov (Rus) bt C Vath (Cambodia) technical superiority. bit M Calder (Carl) pits; M Azzov (Rus) bt C Vatri (Cambodia) technical supernority. WELITERWEIGHT (Pflogt: 8 Budayev (Uzbek) bt O Hohi (Carl) pits; V Verhusin (Mac) bt R Ozofine (Aus) fait; T Ota (Japan) bt F Guzman (Mex) technical supernorey; I Krozyr (Bela) bt A Ritzer (Hung) pits; P Jang-soon (S Kor) bt M Gazdhiyev (Azza) pits; R Kertani (Slovald) bt T Ceytan (Tur) pits; M Gadzhiyev (Azza) bt T Ceytan (Tur) pits; M Gadzhiyev (US) bt R Kertanti (Slovald); K Monday (US) bt R K F Kertanti (Slovald); Park Jang-soon (S Kor) bt V Pelcov (Mol) pits; A Nemeni (Iran) bt T Ceylen (Turk) pits; E Momeni (Iran) bt L Lotzdis (Gre) pits; K Monday (US) bt A Hernandez (Cuba) pits; B Sayiyev (Bus) bt E Momeni (Gre) pits; K Monday (US) bt A Hernandez (Cuba) pits; B Sayiyev (Bus) bt Cameroon) technical superiority; D Tyedyeve (Ulri) bt R K Nosteck (Po) pits; R Azghadi (Iran) bt V Kodei (Nigeria) pits; B Gantogrokh (Mong) bt J Betancourt (PR) pits; I Bayramulov (Razak) bt S Bianeo (Can) pits.

piss, Tosylamical (Pologis R Paulaukonis (Lith) bt L Purcel (Samoa) technical superiority; E Kurtanidae (Geo) bt K Basw (Bul) piss (Kim lichee (S Kor) bt P Bacsa (Hung) pits; J Lohyna (Slovak) bt T Kawai (Japan) piss; H Baiz (Ger) bt R Reminey (Aus) technical superiority, M Kradarisev (Rus) bt B Muhammed (Palv) technical superiority, M Kradarisev (Rus) bt B Muhammed (Palv) technical superiority; M Kradarisev (Rus) bt B Muhammed (Palv) technical superiority; A Shumilin (Rus) bt I Kilmov (Kasak) pis; Z Turmanistev (Geo) bt M PRoss (Just) fall; A Shumilin (Rus) bt I Kilmov (Kasak) pis; Z Gombos (Hum) bt R Kranz (Guert) pis; B Baurigather (US) bt A Boodow (Gen) technical superiority; A Medwedev (Bela) bt P Bourdoules (Gre) piss; A Feng (China) bt A Garoputos (Pan) technical superiority; S Thiele (Gar) bt A Kowolevsky (Kirgisstan) pis; M Demir (Runk) bt M Valiyev (Ukr) pis.

Denmark take gold medal



Denmark's Poul-Erik Hoyer-Larsen became the first European to win an Olympic gold medal in badminton yesterday when he beat the world No 1. Dong Jinng of China, in the men's singles final.

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Hoyer-Larsen, this year's European and all-England champion, won in straight games as the Olympic final brought together the world's top two play-

Hoyer-Larsen, 30, took the first game 15-12 in 17 minutes and then raced to a 5-0 lead in the second. Dong then staged a fight-hack, recovering from 12-7 down to reach 12-10 but his cooceotratioo appeared to be hroken wheo, with the Dane serving, he was foot-faulted. The Dane then woo his next three service points to take the game 15-10 and the title.

"I did exactly the same thing I had been doing during the whole game. I don't think the call was correct," Doog said.

Hoyer-Larseo, supported during the game by fans who sang Danish football chants, appeared at the post-match press conference with gold writteo across his forehead.

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Thompson (Barb) 20.53; 4 E Wymersch 20.59; 5 P Spencer (Jam) 20.59; 8 T Dou-(Berm) 20.63; 7 F Nievero (Sp) 21.06. Did not start: O (short) re (art). Next; 2: 1 M (otypeon (US) 20.37; 2 6 Moen (Not) 20.48; 3 N de Sika (Trin) 20.62; 4 R da Sika (Bea) 20.65; 8 J Mayoral (Sp) 20.88; 6 6 Partypolopolos (G) 20.88; 7 D (applien-co (Aus) 21.03; 8 O Loum (Sen) 21.31. co (val) 22.10; 8 0 (Dum (sen) 22.33; Heat 9: 1 (Boxto (Obb) 20.38; 2 K fo (Jepon) 20.47; 3 S Borneconibe (Aus) 20.53; 4 R Mack-conisk (Pol) 20.61; 5 A Markoulides (Cyb) 20.63; 8 S Dolegodin (Jikr) 20.95; 7 E Cawley (Jam) 20.75; 8 F Watta (Noty C) 21.14. 20.75; 8 F Waota (Noty G) 21.14.
Heast 4: 1 M March (US) 20.39; 2 P Storens
(Bet) 20.43; 3 J Regs (Bil) 20.59; 4 S Inserious
(Let) 20.58; 5 A Agreement (Gheru) 20.67; 5
S Ogunitopa (Nigera) 21.00; 7 J Lous (Guines)
21.01. Diel auf Smisht C dis Sha (Bra).
Heast 5: 1 A Boition (Trin) 20.25; 2 F Obliosehu
Palgeren) 20.49; 3 E Tultuur (Ghe) 20.49; 4 L
Chestie (Gh) 20.59; 5 E Ribotro (Bra) 20.69;
8 T Erikspan (Swa) 20.28; 7 C Gats (Arg) 20.84;
8 G Ryon (tri) 20.89.

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wipe the floor with Ajax?

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militions (Dest throw in each heat and families) her to south-fluxies): Fredericks, Wilkens, impson, Johnson, Moen, De Silva, Bertie, No, mecombe, Marsh, Stevens, Regs, Boldon, ilewelu, Tuffour, Insplaces.

N Telles (Cube) 1:42.85; 8 N Morchebon (Ger) (US) 1:44.21; 8 8 L3000 (Mor) 1:45.52.
5,000m: First round bloat 1:1.5 5g/sr (Mor)
1:4:02.71; 2 8 Korotis (Ker) 1:4:02.72; 3 R Sen2:10: 6/4g) 1:4:03.05; 4 6 th Napol (II) 1:4:03.55;
8 5 Creighton (Aus) 1:4:04.05; 5 8 Horf (SA)
1:4:05.87; 7 A Breenez (Sp) 1:4:18.57; 8 J
Ramon (For 1:4:17.28; 9 M Gasto (US)
1:4:30.75; 10 W Roisten (Co) 1:4:39.50; 11.3
A O Mohamedou (Mauriania) 1:5:9. Did not
spart H Gebroselessie (Eth.), A Quantania (Med)

4 E Moirra (Sp.) 13:51.55; 5 A Belsoux (Alg.) 13:51.98; 6 D Baumann (Ger) 13:52.00; 7 J Nutual (BB) 13:52.16; 6 J Wyett (NZ) 13:52.56; 9 J Spikey (US) 13:53.16; 3 D C Finnerty (Inf.) 3:54.01; 11.1 Peymar (Aus.) 14:00.25; 12 A Genca (Ba) 14:28.64; 13 H Moya (Majawa) 14:30.53. Did not etart; A Ntaguma (Burun). Heat: 3: 1,1 Mora pod (SA) 13:54.30; 2 P Blook (Gen) 13:54.45; 3 V Nyongabo (Burund) 13:54.53; 4 S Remedy (US) 13:54.57; 8 K Boutann (May) 13:54.72; 8 M Vanto (Slovat) 13:54.89; 7 A Mezgabu (Ein) 13:54.89; 8 S Boldini (B) 13:554.89; 8 S Boldini (B) 13:554.89; 7 A Mezgabu (Ein) 13:54.89; 8 S Boldini (B) 13:554.89; 7 A Mezgabu (Ein) 13:54.89; 8 S Boldini (B) 13:557.42; 10 S Franke (Ger) 14:03.39; 11 L Jesus (Por) 14:08.57; 12 K A S Gloin (Sud) 14:15.21; 13 A Adam (Som) 15:19.80. Did not start: A A-Quirami (S Araba).

Qualifices (top algiri from each heat and six fastest losers to seroil-finals): Sghr, Koro-ia, Benzine, Dr Napoll, Creighton, Hoff, Immenez, Ramos, Beyssa, Lahlefi, Nyarak, Molina, Be-lacut, Bournenn, Muttal, Wyari, Morapeti, Ritch, Nycingoto, Konnedy, boulami, Varsio, Muzgebu, Badini, Sphery, Himeny, Pencoto, Paynier, Franks, Jesus. 400m bardines: Semi-finals: Host 1: 1.0 Ad-lens (US) 47.76; 2 S Mylander (Swe) 48.21; 8 F Mori (ti) 48.43; 4 E de Ausujo (Bra) 48.A5; 5 D Kovess (Mun) 48.7; 9 X Harmdon (Zin) 48.61; 7 J Ridgson (66) 49.43; 5 6 Bronson (US) 50.32.

ova, seure. Robinson.
3.000m steeplachases: Seni-Resiz: Heat 1:
1.M Dans (US) 82.5.76; 2 M Birt (Very 82.7.16;
3.A Lambruschen (I) 92.7.32; 4 H Bousouche
(Mor) 82.7.76; 5 M Surge (Ger) 82.7.95; 5 F
lonessu (Rom) 82.9.77; 7 J Bouspois (Canl
8.31.45; 6 A Sahere (Mor) 82.39, 9 V Golyas
(Rus) 82.8.85; 10 G Simmusye (Zam) 83.7.41;
13.1 K Quilen (ISB) 8-46.74; 12 K Bauarmasster
(Ger) 8:51.83.

cepicon (Sp), X Gariberne (Mauritain).
Group Two: 1 = P Bodrianyov (Rus) and R Botha
(Sh) 5, 70; 3) Galiforne (F) 5, 70; 4 A Figorachet
(Ser) 5, 70; 8 L Johnson (US) 5, 70; 8 = S Huffmar (US) and 0 Kreanov (8n) 5, 50; 5 3 M Acos (Sp) 5, 60; 9 H Warraniemi (Fn) 5, 60; 10 =
N Buddield (GS) and J Garcha (Sp) 5, 40; 12 K
Chul-liyun (S Kor) 5, 40; 15 M Woss (Den) 5, 40;
14 A Charjene (La) 5, 40; 15 A Budrajov (Es), 0
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Johnson (St Luca), Distinct stants 3 Budra (Un) alifiers for final (best seven from each usp): Andi, Lobinger, Hartwig, Trandenkov, appaich, Stobe, Mariov, Bochlanyov, Botha, tione, Tecrachik, Johnson, Hutjman, Kras-

Guissi (92.70,10 A Horseth (Hun) 82.28; 13. Superboy (Put) 60,62; 12 A Settif (US) 56.30. Decembros: \$100,62; 12 (DOM 10.50) 60; 10,62; 12 (DOM 10.50) 60; 10,62; 12 (DOM 10.50) 60; 10,62; 12 (DOM 10.50) 62,7; 13.62; 204; 48.34; 3 E Nocient (ES) 4457; (10.65; 7.88; 14.01; 2.01; 47.26); 4 C Huffirs (US) 4446; 5 E Hermatahnen (Beta) 4443; 5 T Doursk (CF Re) 4422; 7 R Garriger (Usb) 4411; 6 C Pieziet (F) 4337; 3 J A Megnason (Ge) 4346; 10 S Fitz (US) 4343; 13 J A Megnason (Ge) 4346; 10 S Fitz (US) 4343; 13 J A Megnason (Ge) 4346; 10 S Fitz (US) 4343; 13 J A Megnason (Ge) 4346; 13 F S T Bener (Sp) 4321; 14 V Kolpskov (Ur), 4299; 15 D A Fupora (Gen) 4255; 15 L Libooyn (Ush 4236; 13 T M Smath (Can) 4156; 13 F Bener (Sp) 4136; 20 D Fran (V2) 4136; 22 M Dost (Verti) 4136; 25 F Miller (Gel) 4134; 23 F Duary (Cutos) 4075; 24 I Kasson; (Es) 4052; 25 J Resentate (Hest) 4044; 28 = Z Kurset (Hun) 3967; 29 D Verotinskov (Us) 3954; 30 P Huber (Sev) 3933; 32 A Kasson; (Urin) 3336; 28 B Lawen (F) 3026; 33 N Manasopiv (Rus) 3770; 34 B Posserna (D) 3281, A Norger (Rus) 3770; 34 B Posserna (D) 3281, A Norger (Rus) 3770; 34 B Posserna (D) 3281, A Norger (Rus) 3770; 34 B Posserna (D) 3281, A Norger (Rus) 3770; 34 B Posserna (D) 3281, A Norger (Rus) 3770; 34 B Posserna (D) 3281, A Norger (Rus) additions after two exerts. WOMEN: 200m: Second round: Heet is 1.C Caidry (US) 22.51: 2 C Stump (Beham) 22.83: 3 M Sainstor-Craylor (Usa) 22.91; 4 N Sylvanisma (Bela) 23.15; 8 S Hemestherni (Fin) 23.38; 6 M Gacherska (Bu) 23.44; 7 A Belo (USV Wyn Is) 23.66; Did not start: 8 Mcdon-ald (Jam).

ald (Jam). Heart 2: 1 M Othey (Jam) 22:61; 2 G Melchug-Ina (Rus) 22:60; 3 M Paschite (Gol) 22:84; 4 K Koffa (Gr) 23:04; 5 K Merry (60) 23:17; 6 S Pyros (Barham) 23:25; 7 J Yan (China) 23:30; 8 V Fornenko (Ukr) 23:44.

Heat 4: 1.0 Young (US) 22.53; 2.J Cuthbert (Jern) 22.62; 3 | Prinston (Rus) 22.82; 4 A Bitor (Sloven) 22.85; 5 M Mayborny (PR) 23.48; 8 P Rodriguez (Col) 23.50; 7 C (Usin (Nigeria) 23.62; 8 Z Prinsenyoh (Usr) 23.68.

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100m hardiner. Samil-fineler: Heat 1: 1 M Free-man. (Jam) 12.61; 2 6 Butovec (Slover) 12.63; 3 N Shekhodanova (Rus) 12.67; 4 L Goode (US) 12.77; 5 A Thom 469; 12.60; 5 1 Baumann (Swi) 12.90; 7 N Ramolelamine (Mad) 13.01; 8 K Patraeht (Gwr) 13.05. Hoat 2 La I, Enquist (Swe) 12.51; 2 P Girard-Lero (Fr) 12.59; 3 6 Devens (US) 12.62; 4 D Rose (Jam) 12.64; 5 A Loose (Que) 12.70; 6 Y Greudyn (Rus) 12.74; 7 M Jose Mardomin-go (Sp) 12.69. Did not tible! 8 Dimerowa (Bul). 1004 Harbites Fibial.

1,00M HURDLES FINAL
1, Ludmin Enquist (Swa)
2 Brigita Bukovec (Sloven)
3 Patricia Girarti-Lano (Fr)...... 4 G Devers (US) 12.66; 5 D Rose (Nem) 12.74; 6 M Freeman (Jam) 12.76; 7 N Shekhadano-va (Rus) 12.80; 8 L Goode (US) 13.11.

4 (00M HURDLES FRAL 1 Duon Hermings (Isan) 52.82sec 2 kfm Bartora (US) 53.08 3 Tonja Bertord-Bastley (US) 53.22 4 () Parris (Isan) 53.97; 5 H Measurer (Ber) 54.03; 9 R Ecoh (Car) 54.35; 7 i Tirles (Rom) 54.05 8 Reger (Ser) 54.57.

14.09; 23. 5 Husson (us) 14.42. — Chiusoph (life) 13.81.
Shot: Qualifying round: Group 1: 1 A Numberuse (Ge) 13.93; 2 C Proc-Smith (LS) 13.03; 3 V Prylech (Ur) 13.04; 4 I Nonhimerica (Fisc) 18.22; 5 Y Curbo (Cuba) 18.55; 8 I Melsu (Chira) 18.39; 7 B Kredybou (Pas) 18.25; 8 V Althouse (US) 18.18; 3 E Unacore (Georgia) 17.69; 10 K Lundelin (Pin) 17.14; 11 Y Beitsbyyou (Va) 16.40; 12 I Macrado (Po) 15.91. 0 K and H Zhihong (Chira).
Snose 2; 1 K Su (Chira) 18.38; 2 3 Storp (Scr) 19.29; 3 V Fedyushyra (Ur) 19.22; 4 I Khudondivan (Ru) 18.05; 5 K Nemie (Ge) 19.02; 8 B Laza (Cuba) 18.01; 7 J Cales (GB) 18.56; 8 R Paggi (US) 18.56; 9 8 Mateous (GB) 18.56; 8 R Paggi (US) 18.56; 9 8 Mateous (GB) 18.56; 10 I Myung-Sun (S Nor) 16.92; 11 E Addition (Ru) 18.49; 12 N Kewar (Jo) 15.29; 11 E Addition (Ru) 18.49; 12 N Kewar (Jo) 15.29; 12 L Misjoeka (Am Samoa) 13.74. Did not sharte C de Brun (Nath).

😁 Badminton

MEDI: Singles: Brooks medal: \$ Reshi (Malay) bt H Arbi (Indon) 5-15-15-11-15-6. **⋘ Basketball**

∞ Boxing

Ryweight (53kg) Quarter-finate: A Paleov (Fac) tt O Reyes (Col) pts: M Romero (53th) tt O Reyes (Col) pts: M Romero (53th) tt O Rel-by (H) pts: S Daumadilov (Fac) to O Rel-by (H) pts: Z Lunia (Garl to M Aspout (Ag) pts Featherweight (57 kg) Quarter-finate: S Konseg (Thin) tt R Paleon (Hau) pts: P Checon (Ag) tt J Negy (Hurt) pts: S Todorov (Bal) of F Fusition (Garl pts: F Reyweighter (US) tt L Aragon (Guba) tts.

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Liverpool finally seal Berger deal

Football

CLIVE WHITE

Liverpool's summer long pur-suit of the Czech Republic's hrilliant playmaker, Patrik Berger, ended yesterday afternoon at Anfield the stadium where he first caught Roy Evans's eye playing for his country during

The 23-year-old Borussia Dortmund man signed a £3.25m deal, pending a successful medical and work permit application. Liverpool are confident that the deal will go through before the European Cup-Winners' Cup deadline. With injuries to left-sided players Steve Harkness, Rob Jones and Mark Kennedy, they are banking on the arrival of Berger.

Bruce Rioch's hopes of mak-ing the Blackburn captain, Tim Sherwood, his first major summer signing for Arsenal has hit a snag. Rovers have run into injury problems in midfield and may be forced to reject Rioch's renewed £3m offer. Garry Flitcroft has an ankle injury and Billy McKinlay is troubled by a knee problem, leaving just Lars Bohinen as cover for Sherwood.

Coventry's manager Ron Atkinson expects to make the Standard Liege right-back Régis Genaux his next hig money cap-ture in a £1.7m deal, Fellow Midlanders Wolves have been given permission to talk to Everion's Neville Southall, but Peter Shilton has told Birmingham he is not interested in their joh of

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England keeper, who is 46, in lends to carry on playing.

Tottenham are prepared to risk losing out on signing Tranmere's out-of-contract defend-er Tony Thomas rather than pay what they believe is an inflated price for him. The First Division club are believed to want nearly £1m for Thomas, who has made nearly 300 appearances for Rovers.

"If necessary we could go to a transfer tribunal – with the condition of being able to pull out if we don't agree with the verdict," said Gerry Francis, the Spurs manager. His other fullbacks, Dean Austin, Justin Edinhurgh, David Kerslake and Clive Wilson, are all injured. Gary Pallister, the Man-

chester United central defender, will miss the start of the season after sustaining a ham-string injury in the 3-0 defeat 'against Internazionale in Milan on Wednesday. The English champions, led by Eric Cantona, rarely threatened their old boy Paul Ince's side.

Much was made in the Italian press of Christophe Djorkaeff's performance in comparison with that of his countryman, Cantona, omitted from France's Euro 96 squad. The unanimous verdict went to Djorkaeff, with one headline proclaiming: "More whistles than applause for the phantom of Cantona".

Newcastle United - minus their world record signing Alan Shearer - stormed to a 5-0 victory over the Singapore All Stars in the National Stadium.

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Shearer watched from the sidelines as the man he has has deposed in the No 9 shirt, Les Ferdinand, opened the scoring. with two further goals apiece from Paul Kitson and David Gi-

More than 500 journalists from all over the world are expected to attend Shearer's offical welcome on Tyneside next Thesday, when a special stage at the north end of the ground will be erected.

West Ham are to report Torquay's new signing, Jon Gittens, to the Football Association after their £1.5m recruit, Florin Raducioiu, was left with blood streaming down his face from a clash in Wednesday night's "friendly" at Plainmoor. "It was a terrible incident," said Harry Redknapp, the Hammers manager. Under orders to cut wages

and to raise money in the trans-fer market following relega-tion from the first division. Luton's manager Lennie Lawrence has sold Norwegian striker Vidar Riseth to Linz of Austria. Luton will collect £90,000, which represents a £10,000 loss on the player.

Lawrence is hoping to collect £450,000 from Sheffield Wednesday for midfielder Scott Oakes, who is set to rejoin his former manager David Pleat at Sheffield Wednesday. Further payments could bring the total fee to £700,000. The French striker Jean-Pierre Panin has ioined Bordeaux on a two-year contract from the German side

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Britain's Amarjit Singh (left) gets to grips with his Iranian opponent Ebrahim Mehraban Roudbaneh yeste

arc a British wrestler. In a na-tional team that includes 12 horse grooms, four mountain hikers and any number of phys-iotherapists, Amarjit Singh stood alone yesterday.

He was the British wrestling team at the Georgia World Congress Centre. All 19 stone of him. But even with this mass of muscle that makes you wonder whether he ought to have a special licence to walk the pavements, a paitry squad of himself and a trainer was hardly an imposing one compared to the dozens of fighters and aides in American uniforms.

It rather summed up what the super-heavyweight has had to go through to get to Atlanta. Othwresuers can train regularly with similar-sized men all year round. Singh, 25, from Wolverhampton, finds most of his loughest opponents in the gym, and they are the weights he pits his body against. Perhaps he

If it is isolated at the top, it is scarcely very crowded a few rungs down either. Not if you Singh in gut-wrenchingly splendid isolation

shauld take up equine grooming: at least he would have someone to talk to.

It is a bleak scenario, hardly likely to develop a gold medallist as Granil Taropin, who has coached the Russian and Indian wrestlers and is now in charge of Britain's, acknowledged: "He's our only interna-tional class wrestler." he said. "Six months ago he was a low standard, but he practised in the Ukraine for six weeks in the huild-up to the Games and improved a lot. Other wrestlers

"If I had the thousand best coaches in the world, it would mean nothing without money, draw, you felt, and he might his time straining to keep up- was isolated again, this time with organisation and good compe- have a chance. A look at the right, never mind laying an at-

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WRESTLING. By Guy Hodgson

tition. Amarjit needs eight good competitions a year. At the moment he's fighting once or twice. It's not enough."

Taropin lives in Glasgow and sees Singh once a month if he is lucky, yet if all this made you feel a mite sorry for the Briton, part yesterday. A heavy, drooping moustache gave him a menacing air that his tree-trunk arms did not dispel. Given a good

record of his first opponent, however, showed that fate had not been benign, Visually, Ebrahim Mehraban Roudbanch probably came in second place to the Briton, but his CV includes two Asian championships. In Iran he is an idol, a national figure; Singh is barely a household name in his own

As soon as the fight started, the paper disparity was confirmed. The super-heavyweights do not indulge in many moves, to the gui-wreach and the ankle cross. Singh, whose cousin, Ravinder, fought for Britain at the 1988 Games, spent most of

tacking paw on the Iranian. One thing that wrestling has which football, regrettably, does not is a penalty for insufficient attacking, and faced by the massive strength of Mehraban. Singh was soon penalised for passivity. Indeed, by the end he was one caution away from be-

Photograph: David Ashdown

ing disqualified. Which would merely have pre-empted the inevitable as Singh Jost 6-2 and faced a succession of bouts against other losers to find his rank in the competition. "He's in the top six in the world," he muttered shyly afterwards. "I did OK." His coach thought so, too. "I

expected him to lose because the Iranian is very strong," he said. "You must realise that in Iran wrestling is the number one sport, il is a tradition out there. to choose from."

While Taropin was talking, Singh was left to contemplate defeat in the warm-up room. He his thoughts.

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MacMahon escapes suspension

The Irish athlete Marie MacMahon, who took decongestant tablets containing a banned performance-enhancing substance two days before running in the Olympics, escaped a ban yes-terday despite failing a drugs test. The International Olympic

Committee spokeswoman Michele Verdier revealed that se-nior IOC officials "unanimously" supported a recommendation by the medical commission to issue a strong reprimand to the athlete and the Irish team and not to enforce a ban.

The 21-year-old runner admitted taking two Robitussin decongestant pills to clear a "stuffy nose" without telling doctors. The Irish chief team

doctor, Joe Cummiskey, had protested to the medical commission that the athlete had "made a terrible mistake" and had not used the drug to boost

her performance. Ms Verdier said that because of competition between the Irish Olympic officials and athleties bosses, their athletes were "not getting the right instructions" about which drugs were outlawed.

An Irish Olympic spokesman, David Guiney, said: "We are naturally absolutely delighted with the outcome of this very unfortunate incident. It was a complete accident and Marie is devastated, but fortunately the authorities have acted realisti-



cally and properly and we will be very mindful of what they have said."

Verdier explained that Rohitussin contains phenyl-propanolamine which is oddly, both on the IOC list of banned and legal substances. She said the Irish team had not made it clear to the athletes which category the drug she had taken came into, therefore they de-cided out to punish the athlete with a ban but to opt for the

strong reprimand. MacMahon the IOC to detect banned subfinished 14th in her heat of the women's 5,000 metres on Fri-

Verdier also announced that the Russian sprinter Marina Trandenkova haa been disqualified from the Games after failing a drug test. Trandenkova, who came fifth in the women's 100m final on Saturday, is the fourth Russian to test positive for drugs, all for using hromantan, a stimulant-cummasking agent. The Russians have nopealed

against the disqualifications. arguing that bromantan is not specifically cited on the IOC's list of banned substances. But Verdier said: "It is the role of

stances. This substance was declared illegal on 5 June." A leading IOC official claimed that the drug had been

used for many years but scien-tists could not detect it until recently.

Prince Alexandre de Merode, chairman of the IOC'a medical commission, said traces were detected in as many as 20 tests in the past two years, all in-volving athletes from the former Soviet Union.

"It'a made by the Russian army for army troops," de Merode said. "I am told it is available on the black market in Russia, including on the streets in Moscow."

Giddins to answer drug charges

Cricket

Ed Giddins, the Sussex bowler, was yesterday named as the cricketer at the centre of the drugs allegations after being charged with using a prohibit-ed substance and bringing the game into disrepule by the Test and County Cricket Board.

Cricket's governing body had previously refused to name the Sussex player who failed a drugs test on 2 June this year until they made further a £1,000 line and four days susinvestigations.

But yesterday the TCCB revealed the identity of the 25year-old seamer and ordered him to appear in front of the discipline committee to answer three charges.

Giddins has met the doping control panel, headed by the Nottinghamshire chairman Alan Wheelhouse, on several occasions since drug traces were found in two samples last

The doping control panel, whose powers are restricted to pension, referred the matter on

to the discipline committee class averages this season, could who have the authority to impose unlimited punishment. A TCCB statement con-

firmed: "Following investigations by the doping control panel, charges have been brought against Mr ESH Giddins of Sussex County Cricket Club.

These charges...will be laid before the TCCB discipline committee on Monday, 19

Giddins, who toured Pakistan with England A in 1995-1996 and is riding high in the firstface a lengthy ban if found guilty at the hearing. He is charged with using a

prohibitive substance, that the substance was found in a urine test given by him as a result of a doping control test carried out on 2 June, 1996, and with hringing the game into

The only previous player to have been punished by the TCCB for drugs-related offences was Ian Botham, who admitted taking cannabis in 1986 and was banned until July that year.



Giddins: Charged by TCCE after failing drug test

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